



Sixteenth session  
Agenda item 92

ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE UNITED NATIONS

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

1. At its 984th and 985th meetings on 30 November 1961, the Security Council considered the application of Kuwait for admission to membership in the United Nations, submitted on 30 June 1961 (S/4852). The meeting had been convened by the President pursuant to a request made by the representative of the United Arab Republic in a letter to the President of the Security Council dated 19 November (S/5001).
2. The Security Council included the question in its agenda, note being taken of the objection of the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, who opposed inclusion of the question in the agenda.
3. The Council decided, without objection, to invite the representative of Iraq to participate without vote in its consideration of the application of Kuwait, pursuant to a request of the representative of Iraq in a letter dated 29 November (S/5005).
4. The representative of the United Arab Republic submitted a draft resolution (S/5006) whereby the Security Council would recommend to the General Assembly that it admit Kuwait to membership in the United Nations.
5. A motion was made by the representative of the USSR under rule 33 (5) of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council to postpone consideration of the question.
6. At the 985th meeting, the Council voted on the proposals before it. The motion of the USSR to postpone consideration of the question received 1 vote in favour and none against, with 10 abstentions, and was not adopted having failed to receive the required majority. The draft resolution of the United Arab

Republic (S/5006) received 10 votes in favour to 1 against, and was not adopted owing to the negative vote of a permanent member.

7. At the same meeting, the Security Council, pursuant to rule 60 of its provisional rules of procedure, decided to submit the present special report to the General Assembly.

8. In accordance with paragraph 3 of rule 60, the complete record<sup>1/</sup> of the Council's consideration on this question has been circulated to all Members of the General Assembly for their information.

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<sup>1/</sup> For the complete record, see S/PV.984 and 985, S/4852, S/5001, S/5005 and S/5006.