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VIOLATION BY FRANCE IN MOROCCO OF THE PRINCIPLES OF
THE CHARTER AND THE DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Letter dated 10 October 1951 from the Permanent Representative of
Syria to the United Nations, addressed to the Secretary-General

New York, 10 October 1951

I am instructed by my Government to request you to place on the agenda of the forthcoming session of the General Assembly the following item: "Violation by France in Morocco of the principles of the United Nations Charter and the Declaration of Human Rights".

An explanatory memorandum is attached.

(Signed) Farid ZEINEDDINE
Minister Plenipotentiary,
Permanent Representative of Syria to
the United Nations

ANNEX

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

New York, 10 October 1951

In view of the request of my Government to place on the agenda of the forthcoming Assembly the item entitled:

"Violation by France in Morocco of the principles of the United Nations Charter and the Declaration of Human Rights"

I should like to convey to Your Excellency by this explanatory memorandum the reasons which called for this request.

The conflict between France and Morocco with respect to the realization of the legitimate aspirations of the Moroccan people, recognized to them by the provisions of the United Nations Charter, has been developing into a critical phase, as may be inferred from the incidents which have been taking place.

As a Member of the United Nations, and in view of the ties between the Moroccan people and the other Arab peoples, my Government is concerned about the state of affairs, which not only constitutes a violation of the Treaty of 1911, in itself incompatible with the aims of the United Nations Charter, but also infringes the provisions of the Charter and of the Declaration of Human Rights.

The friendly representations made to the Government of France by the Arab League States having proved unsuccessful, my Government feels obliged to bring, in conformity with the Charter, the matter before the General Assembly of the United Nations in order to satisfy the legitimate aspirations of the Moroccan people and to avoid developments to which the state of tension might give rise.

(Signed) Farid ZEINEDDINE
Minister Plenipotentiary,
Permanent Representative of Syria to
the United Nations