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INTERVENTION OF THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN KOREA

Interim Report of the First Committee*

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1. By a telegram dated 4 December 1950 addressed to the Secretary-General (A/1618), the delegations of Cuba, Ecuador, France, Norway, the United Kingdom and the United States of America requested that the item "Intervention of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China in Korea" should be included in the agenda of the fifth session of the General Assembly. An explanatory memorandum (A/1621) was submitted on 5 December 1950.
2. The General Assembly, at its 319th plenary meeting on 6 December 1950, decided, on the recommendation of the General Committee, to include this item in its agenda and to refer it to the First Committee for consideration and report.
The First Committee, at its 409th meeting on 7 December, by 42 votes to 5, with 4 abstentions, adopted a French motion that priority should be given to the consideration of the item.
3. The Committee has so far considered the question at its 409th to 417th meetings.
4. At the first of these meetings, the Committee, by 48 votes to 5, with 4 abstentions, adopted a motion presented by the United States of America that the representative of the Republic of Korea should be invited to participate in the discussions.
5. The following draft resolutions have so far been submitted:
 - (a) A joint draft resolution, submitted at the 409th meeting, by Cuba,

* A final report will be submitted when the Committee has concluded its consideration of all the draft resolutions.

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Ecuador, France, Norway, the United Kingdom and the United States of America (A/C.1/638), which after recalling the Security Council resolution of 25 June 1950 and the General Assembly resolution of 7 October 1950, and noting that armed forces of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China are conducting military operations against the United Nations forces in Korea, calls upon all States and authorities, inter alia, to prevent their nationals or individuals or units of their armed forces from giving assistance to the North Korean forces and to cause immediate withdrawal of such nationals or units; affirms that it is the policy of the United Nations to hold the Chinese frontier with Korea inviolate and fully to protect legitimate Chinese and Korean interests in the frontier zone; and requests the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea to assist in the settlement of any problems relating to conditions on the Korean frontier.

(b) A draft resolution (A/C.1/640) submitted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics at the 412th meeting, which recommends that all foreign troops should be withdrawn immediately from Korea and that the decision on the Korean question should be entrusted to the Korean people themselves.

(c) A joint draft resolution (A/C.1/641), submitted at the 415th meeting, by Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Yemen requesting the President of the General Assembly to constitute a group of three persons, including himself, to determine the basis on which a satisfactory cease-fire in Korea can be arranged and to make recommendations to the General Assembly as soon as possible.

(d) A joint draft resolution (A/C.1/642), submitted at the 415th meeting by the same countries with the exception of the Philippines, which, considering that the situation in the Far East is likely to endanger the maintenance of world peace and security, recommends the establishment of a committee to meet as soon as possible and make recommendations for the peaceful settlement of existing issues.

6. At the 415th meeting, the Committee, by 48 votes to 5, with 4 abstentions, adopted an Indian motion that priority should be given to the thirteen-Power draft resolution (A/C.1/641).

7. The thirteen-Power draft resolution was put to the vote at the 417th meeting and was adopted by 51 votes to 5, with 1 abstention.

8. The Committee will submit its final report when it has concluded its consideration of the other draft resolutions. At the present stage, however, the Committee recommends that the General Assembly adopt the following resolution:

INTERVENTION OF THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF
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The General Assembly,

Viewing with grave concern the situation in the Far East,

Anxious that immediate steps should be taken to prevent the conflict in Korea spreading to other areas and to put an end to the fighting in Korea itself, and that further steps should then be taken for a peaceful settlement of existing issues in accordance with the Purposes and Principles of the United Nations,

Requests the President of the General Assembly to constitute a group of three persons, including himself, to determine the basis on which a satisfactory cease-fire in Korea can be arranged and to make recommendations to the General Assembly as soon as possible.
