

ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS

**RECONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATIONS OF ALBANIA, AUSTRIA,
BULGARIA, FINLAND, HUNGARY, IRELAND, ITALY, MONGOLIAN
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA AND TRANSJORDAN**

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

On 17 November 1948, the General Assembly adopted a series of resolutions concerning the applications for membership in the United Nations of Albania, Austria, Bulgaria, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Mongolian People's Republic, Portugal, Roumania and Transjordan (Resolution 113 (II)).

By letters dated 3 and 7 April 1948 respectively, and jointly addressed to the President of the Security Council, the representatives of France, United Kingdom and the United States of America requested the reconsideration of the applications of Italy, Transjordan, Ireland, Portugal and Austria (S/709 and S/715). By a letter dated 5 April 1948 addressed to the Secretary-General, the representative of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic requested the reconsideration of the applications of Albania, Bulgaria, Finland, Hungary, Italy, Mongolian People's Republic and Roumania (S/712).

On 10 April 1948, the Security Council reconsidered the applications of these States. After a discussion, the Council voted on the proposal to recommend the admission of Italy to the United Nations. The result of the vote was nine in favour and two against. As one of the permanent members voted against the proposal, it was not adopted.

With regard to the other applications referred to, it appeared that none of the representatives had changed his position. The Council therefore decided to report accordingly to the General Assembly and to adjourn its discussion on the matter indefinitely.

In accordance with rule 60, paragraph 3, of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the verbatim records of the Council's 279th and 280th meetings (S/P.V./279 and S/P.V./280*) have been transmitted to all Members of the General Assembly for their information.

* See Official Records of the Security Council, Third Year, Nos. 54 and 55.