
LETTER FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NETHERLANDS TO THE
UNITED NATIONS, ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY
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Sir,

It has come to my knowledge a few hours ago that the Governments of India and Australia have requested to put the question of Indonesia on the agenda of the Security Council and that this matter may be dealt with in its meeting of tomorrow 31st July 1947. It goes without saying that - should the Council decide to grant these requests - the interests of the Netherlands would be specially affected.

In case the Security Council should decide to open the discussion on the substance of this matter, I feel that it is my duty to request that this discussion be not begun until my Government has had an opportunity to appoint a representative to take part therein, if the Security Council, as I anticipate, invites the Netherlands to participate in the discussion.

I may add that I presume that the Acting Secretary-General will inform the Netherlands Government if and when the matter will be taken up by the Council, and that in that case a reasonable period of time will be accorded to my Government to send a representative, whom I feel sure my Government would lose no time in appointing.

I would appreciate it very much if you would be so kind as to communicate the contents of this letter to the Members of the Security Council.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) J.W.M. Snouck Hurgronje

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