

REPORT DATED 9 MAY 1949 FROM THE UNITED NATIONS COMMISSION FOR
INDONESIA TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL
CONCERNING DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES
PURSUANT TO THE COUNCIL'S DIRECTIVE OF
23 MARCH 1949*

1. In pursuance of the Security Council's directive dated 23 March 1949,* the Commission suggested to the Netherlands and Republican delegations on 26 March 1949, that discussions under the Commission's auspices be held in Batavia between the parties as soon as practicable.
2. Both parties having accepted the Commission's invitation, the first meeting under the Commission's auspices was held in Batavia on 14 April 1949.
3. At the fifth meeting, held on 7 May 1949, the following statements were made by the Chairman of the delegation of the Republic of Indonesia and by the Chairman of the delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands:

(a) Statement by the Chairman of the delegation of the Republic of Indonesia

"As Chairman of the Republican delegation, I am authorized by President Sukarno and Vice-President Mohammad Hatta to give their personal assurances that they favour, in conformity with the Security Council's resolution of 28 January 1949 and its directive of 23 March:

1. Issuance of an order to Republican armed adherents to cease guerrilla warfare;
2. Co-operation in restoration of peace and maintenance of law and order; and
3. Participation in a round table conference at the Hague with a view to accelerate unconditional transfer of real and complete sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia.

President Sukarno and Vice-President Hatta undertake that they will urge adoption of such a policy by the Government of the Republic of Indonesia as soon as possible after its restoration to Jogjakarta."

* See S/PV.421.

(b) Statement by the Chairman of the Netherlands Delegation:

"1. The Netherlands delegation is authorized to state that, in view of the undertaking just announced by Dr. Mohammed Roem, it agrees to the return of the Republican Government to Jogjakarta.

The Netherlands delegation agrees further to the setting up of one or more joint committees, under the auspices of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia, for such purposes as:

- (a) to make necessary investigations and preparations preliminary to the return of the Republican Government to Jogjakarta; and
- (b) to study and advise on measures to be taken in order to effectuate cessation of guerrilla warfare and co-operation in the restoration of peace and in the maintenance of law and order.

2. The Netherlands Government agrees that the Republican Government shall be free and facilitated to exercise its appropriate functions in an area consisting of the residency of Jogjakarta and that this is a step taken in light of the Security Council's directive of 23 March 1949.

3. The Netherlands Government reaffirms its willingness to ensure immediate discontinuance of all military operations and to release immediately and unconditionally all political prisoners arrested by them since 17 December 1948 in the Republic of Indonesia.

4. Without prejudice to the right of self-determination of the Indonesian peoples as recognized by the Linggadjati and Renville principles, the Netherlands Government will refrain from the establishment or recognition of negaras or daerahs on territory under Republican control prior to 19 December 1948 and from the expansion of negaras and daerahs affecting the said territory.

5. The Netherlands Government favours the existence of the Republic as a state to take its place in the United States of Indonesia. When a provisional representative body for the whole of Indonesia is to be established and it consequently becomes necessary to determine the number of representatives from the Republic to the said body, this number will be one half of the total membership exclusive of the Republic's membership.

6. Consonant with the intent of the Security Council's ruling of 23 March 1949 on the subject of 'the proposed round table conference at the Hague to the end that negotiations contemplated by the resolution of 28 January 1949 may be held as soon as possible,' the Netherlands Government is fully prepared to do its utmost that this

conference take place immediately after the return of the Republican Government to Jogjakarta. At this conference discussions will take place as to the way in which to accelerate the unconditional transfer of real and complete sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia in accordance with the Renville principles.

7. In light of the necessary co-operation in the restoration of peace and the maintenance of law and order, the Netherlands Government agrees that in all those areas outside the residency of Jogjakarta where civil, police and other officials of the Government of Indonesia are not operating at present, Republican civil, police and other officials, where still operating, will remain in function.

It is understood that the Netherlands authorities shall afford to the Republican Government such facilities as may reasonably be required by that Government for communication and consultation with all persons in Indonesia, including those serving in civil and military services of the Republic, and that the technical details will have to be worked out by the parties under the auspices of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia."

4. The Chairman of the Netherlands and Republican delegations confirmed the understanding that their statements were agreed upon in consultation, that each found himself in accord with the position set forth by the other and that the statements were thereby formally confirmed and accepted.
5. Two sub-committees, dealing respectively with points (a) and (b) of paragraph 1 of the Netherlands delegation statement, have been named and are functioning.
6. The Commission continues to meet in Batavia with the delegations of the parties for discussion of other items of the agenda.

/s/ Critchley (Australia), Chairman

/s/ Herremans (Belgium)

/s/ Cochran (United States)