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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF MATTERS
OF WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND THE
STAGE REACHED IN THEIR CONSIDERATION

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General submits the following statement of matters of which the Security Council is seized and of the stage reached in their consideration on 19 May 1951:

1. The Iranian question (see S/1456)
2. Special agreements under Article 43 and the organization of Armed Forces made available to the Security Council (see S/1456)
3. Rules of procedure of the Security Council (see S/1456)
4. Statute and rules of procedure of the Military Staff Committee (see S/1456)
5. The general regulation and reduction of armaments and information on Armed Forces of the United Nations (see S/1456)
6. Appointment of a Governor for the Free Territory of Trieste (see S/1456)
7. The Egyptian question (see S/1456)
8. The Indonesian question (see S/1456)
9. Voting procedure in the Security Council (see S/1456)
10. Procedure in application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Charter with regard to the Pacific Islands under strategic trusteeship of the United States of America (see S/1456)
11. Application for membership (see S/1456)
12. The Palestine question (see S/1456, S/1864, S/1878, S/1904, S/1912, S/2104, S/2114 and S/2150)
Discussion continued at the 546th and 547th meetings held on 16 and 18 May 1951. At the 546th meeting, the representatives of France, Turkey, United Kingdom and the United States submitted a joint draft resolution (S/2152 and S/2152/Rev.1) which, *inter alia*:
(1) Called upon the Government of Israel to comply with the request of the Chief of Staff and of the Chairman of ISMAC to ensure that the Palestine Land Development Company cease all operations in the demilitarized zone until such time as an arrangement was made through the Chairman of ISMAC for the continuation of the project;

(2) Stated that it was inconsistent with the objectives and intent of the Armistice Agreement to refuse to participate in ISMAC meetings or fail to respect the requests of the Chairman of ISMAC as they related to his obligations under Article V; and called upon the parties to be represented at all meetings called by the Chairman;

(3) Called upon the parties to give effect to the excerpts cited by the Chief of Staff at the 542nd meeting of the Security Council from the summary record of the Syria-Israel Armistice Conference on 3 July 1949 (these excerpts refer to civilian administration in villages and settlements in the demilitarized zone;

(4) Reminded Syria and Israel of their obligations under Article 2 (4) of the Charter and their commitments under the Armistice Agreement not to resort to military force;

(5) Found that the aerial action taken by Israel forces on 5 April and any future aggressive military action by either party in or around the demilitarized zone should be regarded as constituting a violation of the cease-fire provision of the Security Council resolution of 15 July 1948, and as inconsistent with the terms of the Armistice Agreement and the obligations assumed under the Charter, and

(6) Decided that Arab civilians who had been removed from the demilitarized zone by Israel should be permitted to return forthwith to their homes and that ISMAC should supervise their return and rehabilitation in a manner to be determined by the Commission.

(7) Held that no action involving the transfer of persons across international frontiers, armistice lines or within the demilitarized zone should be undertaken without prior decision of the Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission.

At the 547th meeting, the Council voted on the draft resolution and adopted it (S/2157) by a vote of 10 in favour, none against and 1 abstention (USSR).

13. The India-Pakistan question (see S/1456, S/1463, S/1465, S/1468, S/1472, S/1479, S/2025, S/2029, S/2037, S/2058, S/2070, S/2079 and S/2132)
14. The Czechoslovak question (see S/1456)
15. The question of the Free Territory of Trieste (see S/1456)
16. The Hyderabad question (see S/1456)
17. Identic notifications dated 29 September 1948 from the Governments of the French Republic, the United Kingdom and the United States of America to the Secretary-General (see S/1456)
18. International control of atomic energy (see S/1456)
19. Complaint of armed invasion of Taiwan (Formosa) (see S/1774, S/1785, S/1831, S/1912 and S/1928)
20. Complaint of bombing by air forces of the territory of China (see S/1774, S/1785, S/1803 and S/1311)