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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS OF WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND ON 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 on matters of which the Security Council is seized and the stage reached in their consideration on 24 October 1953.

- 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 regulation and reduction of conventional armaments and armed forces (see S/1456 and S/2527).
- 6. Appointment of a Governor for the Free Territory of Trieste (see S/1456 and S/3114).

At the 628th meeting on 20 October 1953, the Security Council continued its consideration of whether to adopt its provisional agenda containing this item. The representative of Columbia proposed, in accordance with rule 33, paragraph 5, of the provisional rules of procedure, that the Council postpone discussion of the item until 4 November. At the suggestion of the representative of Greece, he agreed to amend this date to 2 November. The proposal of the representative of Colombia was then adopted by 9 votes to one, with one abstention.

- 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. Applications for membership (see S/1456, S/2451 and S/2679).

12. The Palestine question (see S/1456, S/1864, S/1878, S/1904, S/1912, S/2104, S/2114, S/2150, S/2164, S/2268, S/2280, S/2303 and S/2325).

In letters dated 17 October 1953 to the President of the Security Council (3/3109, S/3110 and S/3111), the representatives of France, the United Kingdom and the United States requested that an urgent meeting of the Security Council be called to consider, under "The Palestine Question", "the matter of the tension between Israel and the neighbouring Arab States with particular reference to recent acts of violence and to compliance with and enforcement of the General Armistice Agreements".

The provisional agenda for the 626th meeting of the Council, on 19 October 195 included reference to these three letters. An amendment to this agenda was submitted by the representative of Lebanon, providing that after the words "The Palestine question", the following words should be substituted: "Recent acts of violence committed by Israeli armed forces against Jordan". Without coming to any conclusion at that time on the formulation of its agenda, the Security Council decided without objection to invite the United Nations Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization for Palestine to appear before it as soon as possible.

At the 627th meeting on 20 October, the Council continued its consideration of the manner in which to include this question in its agenda. Upon the motion of the representative of Greece, the Council adopted, without objection, an item reading: "The Palestine question: compliance with and enforcement of the General Armistice Agreements, with special reference to recent acts of violence, and in particular to the incident at Kibya on 14-15 October: report by the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization".

- 13. The India-Pakistan question (see S/1456, S/1463, S/1472, S/1479, S/2025, S/2058, S/2070, S/2132, S/2416, S/2527, S/2845 and S/2890).
- 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/1811).
- 21. Complaint of failure by the Iranian Government to comply with provisional measures indicated by the International Court of Justice in the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company Case (see S/2364 and S/2398).
- 22. Question of appeal to States to accede to and ratify the Geneva Protocol of 1925 for the prohibition of the use of bacterial weapons (see S/2679 and S/2687).
- 23. Question of request for investigation of alleged bacterial warfare (see S/2687 and S/2693).

