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PRESENCE OF FORCES OF MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON NON-ENEMY TERRITORIES Report of the First Committee Rapporteur: Dr. Homero VITERI LAFRONTE (Ecuador)

1. The General Assembly, at its forty-sixth plenary meeting, held on 31 October 1946, referred to the First Committee the question of the presence of forces of Members of the United Nations on non-enemy territories for consideration and report.

2. On 20 and 26 November 1946 the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and of Argentina presented their respective draft resolutions (documents A/C.1/62 and A/C.1/75) concerning the armed forces of the United Nations in foreign territories. In the course of discussions the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States of America, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Egypt submitted amendments. The draft resolution presented by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, together with the United Kingdom and United States amendments to it, was voted on paragraph by paragraph. At the thirtieth meeting of the First Committee the following amended resolution was adopted by thirty-four votes to seven with four abstentions. 3. The First Committee therefore recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

INFORMATION ON ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED NATIONS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING that the items on its Agenda regarding "The presence of troops of the United Nations on non-enemy territories" and "The proposal on the general reduction of armaments" are concerned with two aspects of the same question, namely, the reduction and regulation of armaments; A/203 Page 2

RECOMMENDS, as a first step in a study of this question and to assist in the implementation of Article 43;

That all Members of the United Nations furnish the following information to the Secretary-General for communication to the Security Council and to other Members of the United Nations, and for publication:

1. At what points in the territory of Members of the United Nations or other States, with the exception of former enemy territories, and in what number, there are armed forces of other Members of the United Nations, including military type organizations.

2. At what points in the former enemy States and in what number, there are armed forces of the Allied Powers and other Members of the United Nations, including military type organizations.

3. At what points in the above-mentioned territories there are air and naval bases, and what is the size of their garrisons, belonging to the armed forces of States Members of the United Nations.

4. What is the total number of their uniformed personnel on the active list, wherever stationed, at home as well as abroad, including military type organizations.

This information should be descriptive of the situation existing on 15 December 1946 and should be supplied to the Secretary-General by

1 January 1947.