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THE QUESTION OF MOROCCO

Report of the First Committee

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1. By a letter dated 26 July 1955 (A/2923), the representatives to the United Nations of Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand and Yemen requested the inclusion of the item "The question of Morocco" in the agenda of the tenth session of the General Assembly; an explanatory memorandum was submitted with the letter. By a letter dated 1 August (A/2923/Add.1), the representative of Liberia requested that his country should be included among the sponsors of the item.
2. At its 530th meeting on 30 September 1955, the General Assembly included the question in the agenda of the session and referred it to the First Committee for consideration and report.
3. The First Committee considered the question at its 796th and 797th meetings held on 28 November.
4. At the 796th meeting, the First Committee had before it a draft resolution (A/C.1/L.148) submitted jointly by Afghanistan, Argentina, Brazil, Burma, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand, Uruguay, Venezuela and Yemen, which provided, inter alia, that the General Assembly, noting that negotiations between France and Morocco would be initiated regarding the question of Morocco and expressing confidence that a satisfactory solution would be achieved, should decide to postpone further consideration of the item.

5. At the 797th meeting, the First Committee adopted the joint draft resolution by 49 votes to none, with 5 abstentions.
6. The First Committee therefore recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,
Having considered the question of Morocco,
Noting that negotiations between France and Morocco will be initiated
regarding this question,
Expressing confidence that a satisfactory solution of the question of Morocco
will be achieved,
Decides to postpone further consideration of this item.
