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CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FIRST AND SECOND EMERGENCY SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairman: Mr. Hashim JAWAD (Iraq)

1. At its 561st plenary meeting, held on 1 November 1956, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, appointed a Credentials Committee for its first emergency special session having the same membership as the Credentials Committee for the tenth session of the Assembly and consisting of the following Member States:

Afghanistan, Australia, Colombia, Dominican Republic, France, Indonesia, Iraq, United States of America, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

- 2. At its 564th plenary meeting held on 4 November 1956, the General Assembly decided that the Credentials Committee appointed for the first emergency special session should serve also for the second emergency special session and that the credentials of the representatives attending the first session would be considered valid for their participation in the second.
- 3. The Credentials Committee met on 8 November 1956.
- 4. Mr. Hashim Jawad (Iraq) was unanimously elected Chairman of the Committee.
- 5. The representative of France raised the question of the validity of the cabled credentials of the representatives of Hungary since, in his opinion, the new Government had been constituted as the result of military intervention by a foreign Power.
- 6. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics pointed out that the credentials of the representatives of Hungary had been issued in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and that, therefore, there could be no question as to their validity.

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- 7. The representatives of Indonesia and Afghanistan shared the views expressed by the representative of the USSR.
- 8. The representative of the Dominican Republic proposed that in the present circumstances the Committee should take no decision regarding the credentials of the representatives of Hungary pending further clarification.
- 9. The representatives of Australia, Colombia and the United States of America supported this view.
- 10. The Committee agreed not to take any decision regarding the credentials of the representatives of Hungary at this time pending further clarification.
- 11. The representative of the USSR stated that the credentials of the representatives of the Government of the Republic of China should not be recognized as valid since China could be legally represented only by persons accredited by the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China.

 12. The representatives of Indonesia and Afghanistan stated that their Governments had recognized the Central People's Government of the People's
- Republic of China and therefore could not regard as valid the credentials submitted for the representatives of China by the Government of the Republic of China.
- 13. Statements were made by the representatives of France, the United States of America and the Dominican Republic, who stated that in their opinion the credentials of the representatives of the Government of the Republic of China were in order.
- 14. A proposal was submitted by the representative of the Dominican Republic to accept the credentials of the representatives of the Government of the Republic of China. This proposal was adopted by 6 votes to 3.
- 15. With the exception referred to in paragraph 10 above the credentials of the representatives of all other Member States to the first and second emergency special sessions were found in order.
- 16. The Credentials Committee recommends that the General Assembly should adopt the following resolution:

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The General Assembly

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.