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PEACEKEEPING - Item 101

Text of Statement on Peacekeeping to be Delivered In the Special Political Committee by the Canadian Representative, Mr. Paul Beaulieu, on Wednesday, December 8, 1965

Mr. Chairman, I have asked for the floor in order to introduce the draft Resolution contained in Document A/SPC/L.122 This Resolution is being submitted under the sponsorship of the Delegations of Algeria, Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Iran, Italy, and Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, Sweden, Tunisia, Yugoslavia. Since this draft Resolution was tabled, I am pleased to inform the Committee that the following four countries have become co-sponsors: Finland, Iceland, Mauritania and Uganda. I should like now to explain briefly the purpose of this draft Resolution which we believe should be able to command a very wide measure of support.

The subject of peacekeeping operations is of course one which my Delegation regards as being of the highest importance. The views of Canada on the subject of peacekeeping were, I believe, clearly expressed in the statement which I had the pleasure to make to this Committee on November 19. I do not need to repeat all of those views now. Suffice it to recall that Canada continues to believe that the authorization, control, and financing of peacekeeping operations must be put on a sounder footing; and that the sharing of the financial burden amongst member

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