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SENATOR THE HONOURABLE T. D'ARCY LEONARD,  
CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVE ON THE FIFTH COMMITTEE  
ON THE QUESTION OF UNITED NATIONS OPERATION IN THE CONGO:  
COST ESTIMATES.

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Mr. Chairman:

May I begin by expressing my appreciation to the members of this Committee for the honour that they have done to Canada in electing one of my country's most distinguished citizens as its chairman.

And may I also commence the Committee's wise choice of its Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur. While I am a newcomer to this Committee I understand it has traditionally elected officers of outstanding qualities and keenly interested in the work of the Committee. This tradition has again been maintained. The wide experience and intellectual abilities of Mr. Atson, our Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Boudjakdji, our Rapporteur are well known, and with their help and guidance, the burden of our tasks in the days ahead will be lightened.

Turning now to the item of the cost estimates of the United Nations operations in the Congo, the Canadian Delegation appreciates the efforts of the Secretary-General and the Advisory Committee in providing, on such short notice, two reports which contain the necessary information relevant to the two issues at hand. These two questions are, first, what are the financial implications of the continuation of ONUC for the period January 1 to June 30, 1964 and, second, how to provide the Secretary-General with the funds he requires. These tasks are not new to this Committee since the questions have been before us on at least four previous occasions.