

(c) It was felt that the size of the proposed force should not be indicated either in the resolution or in the estimates. This should be reserved for the Governor in Council to determine in the light of the circumstances of the moment. No Order in Council would be issued until the resolution had been passed.

It would be clearly understood that the resolution of the House should be sent to the Senate for its concurrence. There would be only one resolution.

4. *The Cabinet* agreed,

(a) that a resolution be introduced in the House of Commons and sent to the Senate for concurrence, stating that it was expedient that the Houses of Parliament approve the participation of the Canadian force in the United Nations operations in the Congo; and,

(b) that arrangements be made to provide the Canadian forces with four Caribou aircraft for use in support of United Nations Operations in the Congo, and subsequently, for other purposes.

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VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER LUMUMBA

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According to statements made by Mr. Lumumba he has come to Canada because he and his people have been attracted by this country "as a French-speaking one" and he wishes to express his goodwill. More specifically he has said that he hopes to find some French-speaking Canadians who might be willing to work in the Congo. He perhaps also hopes to secure Canadian political support in his contests with the Belgians and with the seceding Katangans. Finally, it doubtless enhances his prestige at home to have been received by heads of other governments.

Mr. Lumumba, after a short stop in London, has been in New York discussing with the Secretary-General United Nations action in the Congo and the question of Belgian forces. He went to Washington on Wednesday of this week with the stated purpose of securing economic assistance. He was well received and was given general assurances of help on the understanding that such help would have to go through the United Nations channel, a condition which he cheerfully accepted. We do not yet know what political discussion occurred in Washington. He was an official but not a state guest there and was received by Secretary of State Herter. (The President and the Vice President were away.) He also met Mr. Eugene Black, President of the Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The Congolese portion of his party begins its homeward journey, through New York and London, on Sunday morning.

There are only five Congolese in the party, of whom only one besides the Prime Minister is known to be a person of rank. This is Mr. Joseph Kasongo, President of the Chamber of Deputies. Mr. W.F. Bull, who was our special representative at the Congolese independence ceremonies, heard good things about this man when Mr. Bull was in Leopoldville.