

the United Nations. It was equally explicit in supporting the five-power resolution because, in the Canadian view, the question was clearly an "important" one within the meaning of the United Nations Charter. At the same time, the statement indicated that Canada was willing to consider carefully any proposal to settle the question of Chinese representation equitably. To this end it suggested a full examination of all elements of the question, by whatever means might be found generally acceptable, so that by the next session of the General Assembly a solution might be anticipated which would carry the general judgment and serve the cause of justice and peace. In the Canadian view, these ends would not be achieved by the extinction of the political identity of Formosa but would be served by recognition of the right of the people of Formosa to determine their own future.

Elections to the Councils

At each regular session, the General Assembly holds elections to fill three of the non-permanent seats in the Security Council and six of the seats of the Economic and Social Council.

Security Council

By secret ballot, the Assembly elected Venezuela and Ghana as non-permanent members of the Security Council to serve the regular two-year term commencing January 1, 1962.

In the election for the third non-permanent seat a deadlock developed over the candidacies of Romania and the Philippines. The parties involved eventually agreed, after a series of inconclusive ballots, to an arrangement whereby the term of office for the seat to be filled would be split in accordance with previous precedents. Subject to the approval of the Assembly, Romania would be elected for the first year, resigning as of December 31, 1962, while the Philippines would be elected for the calendar year 1963. In the balloting which followed, Romania was elected to serve the first-year term on the Council.

In accordance with a similar arrangement adopted at the fifteenth session, the Assembly also elected Ireland for a one-year term on the Security Council in replacement of Liberia.

As a result of these elections, membership of the Security Council for 1962 is as follows:

Chile, China, France, Ghana, Ireland,
Romania, U.S.S.R., United Arab Republic,
United Kingdom, United States and Venezuela.

Economic and Social Council

In the first ballot in the elections for the Economic and Social Council, the Assembly elected Australia, Colombia, Senegal and the United States as