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SECURITY COUNCIL AND ECOSOC MUST GROW

"While the question of expanding the Security Council and the Economic and Social is a matter that affects all states represented here," Mr. Arthur R. Smith, Canadian representative on the Special Political Committee of the United Nations, stated on November 7, "it does have a more direct bearing on those states from areas suffering from inadequate representation, and it is apparent to us that any successful solution to correct this imbalance will have to grow out of the desire by those states who will benefit the most from the enlargement of the Councils."

Mr. Smith then proceeded to discuss the Canadian point of view on these issues in detail:

"... Before setting out my delegation's views, I should like to thank the distinguished representative of Argentina for his most helpful opening statement recalling the intricate course of discussions during past sessions of the General Assembly on this item on enlargement of the Security Council and ECOSOC. He also made a number of interesting suggestions for dealing with the procedural problems involved in enlargement, on which I should like to comment a little later in this statement.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

"I think it might be relevant to recall to distinguished delegates here the warm and sincere words of welcome extended by all

delegations since the opening of this session to our 17 new member states. Indeed, I am particularly pleased that the representatives of two of these states are now my neighbours on this Committee. When we and other delegations welcomed the admission of these states, we also welcomed the contribution each of them would be able to make to the United Nations, and looked forward to their active participation in our deliberations. It is perhaps significant therefore... to point out that the item now under discussion in this Committee involves an active attempt to translate those words into deeds, by giving meaningful opportunities for the new members to participate in the United Nations work.

AFRO-ASIAN INTERESTS INADEQUATELY REPRESENTED

"The political and economic developments that have taken place in the world since 1945 and the great increase in the number of member states have created a situation in which the composition of the two Councils of the United Nations no longer adequately reflects the interests of Africa and Asia. The Canadian delegation has long believed that these countries were not proportionately represented on the Councils, and that the only satisfactory way to remedy the imbalance was to enlarge their membership to an extent consonant with efficiency of operation. It seems incredible that this legitimate wish on the part of the majority of states represented at the United