



Item No. 21(B): Statement on 1965 and 1966 UNEF Financing Resolutions made by Mr. Stuart Hemsley in Fifth Committee on December 17, 1965

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Mr. Chairman, my delegation considers that the continuation of UNEF is essential to the maintenance of peace in the Middle East. As a country supplying troops and as one of the largest contributors of money to UNEF, the Canadian Government believes that any resolutions which this committee may approve to finance UNEF for 1965 and 1966 must be financially responsible. With this in mind, my delegation will seek to support resolutions which will attract general support and which will ensure the continuation of UNEF free from financial pressures.

In view of my delegation, the experience with respect to the financing of UNFICYP has demonstrated only too clearly that a purely voluntary formula is not satisfactory. Any resolution which is approved in this committee should, at a minimum, include guidelines for the sharing of costs by all member states. It is in this light that my delegation will examine any resolutions which may be put forward.