

33. *The Cabinet* noted the reports of the Secretary of State for External Affairs and the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration on Hungarian refugee problems and Polish Jews and agreed,

(a) that 1,000 Hungarian refugees in Yugoslavia be admitted into Canada; the persons to be selected from refugees who have expressed a desire to come to Canada, with a preference for those who were sponsored by friends or relatives here, and for agricultural or mine workers. All of whom must satisfy the usual health requirement for immigrants;

(b) that up to 1,500 Hungarian refugees in Italy be admitted to Canada; the persons to meet the usual immigration criteria and their passage to be provided by the Italian government; and,

(c) that the permissible categories be extended to allow the entry of residents of Poland who are the children or the brothers or sisters of Canadian citizens, together with their immediate families if any, if they were satisfactorily sponsored financially, and were recommended by the Canadian Polish Congress, the Canadian Jewish Congress or the Ukrainian-Canadian Committee;

it being understood that these additional immigration arrangements would be given no undue publicity.

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*Le représentant permanent auprès des Nations Unies
au sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures*

*Permanent Representative to United Nations
to Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs*

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HUNGARIAN QUESTION — ITEM 67: ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

With this letter I am enclosing a memorandum which was prepared early in March by Mr. Ford before his departure for Colombia. You are no doubt aware that he was concerned with the Hungarian question when it was being considered at the eleventh session of the General Assembly. Mr. Ford has given his impressions of the Assembly exercise. While I do not entirely agree with the conclusions in the memorandum, I suggest that it might be useful to add these views to others which were expressed by the Delegation from time to time.

2. At the same time I am enclosing a copy of Document A/3573† of April 1 which contains a note verbale dated March 26, 1957 from the Permanent Representative of Hungary to the Secretary-General concerning the report of the Credentials Committee (Document A/3536 together with Resolution 484 of February 21, 1957). The Hungarian note complains because the Assembly "has, up till now, not reached a positive decision on the credentials of the Hungarian Delegation...".

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