

in the resolution before us and that of November 3, A 3276, which establish the conditions within which the United Nations force must operate. Until we have succeeded in this task of a political settlement, our work today, and the cease-fire of yesterday-- though they give us reason for hope and encouragement--- remain uncompleted.

"Nevertheless, the fighting has ceased, the process of restoration is to follow, and the work of peaceful settlement pursued in one part of this distracted and dangerous world. We cannot fail to be relieved and pleased about this, and to rejoice in the fact that the United Nations has made the essential contribution to such a good result.

"If we had not acted swiftly and, I think, effectively here, we might have been facing today a conflict which perhaps would have engulfed us all.

"I hope that we can pass this resolution quickly so that the United Nations force can be organized promptly and effectively and moved to the spot without delay.

"Surely that is the most urgent and immediate duty for us to discharge at this moment, and I hope that we can do it without delay."

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