

Canada is also represented on the Secretary-General's Congo Advisory Committee at the United Nations. There are only three Western countries on it -- Sweden, Ireland and Canada -- with 17 African and Asian countries. We are able to consult with the Secretary-General on Congo questions at any time, and are able to advise him and the other members of that Committee. I think those Members of the House who have been at the United Nations will agree that Canada's actions in connection with the Congo have been of great benefit. We have tried to keep tempers cool. We have tried to urge moderation, and I think we have been able to do quite a lot in that regard.

Our policy in regard to the Congo has been throughout, and is today, to support the United Nations. Some of the Western countries have not taken that stand. The French have been against the Congo operation and pay nothing towards its expense. The British have been very worried about it and have not been as energetic in support of the United Nations as Canada has been. But I repeat that our policy is to support the United Nations in the Congo.

We have also taken action to help in the financing of the Congo operation. Providing the money has been a tremendous problem. It is costing about \$10 million a month for that operation, and the United Nations has almost gone bankrupt paying for it. In passing I may say I thought the Globe and Mail of January 23, 1963, summed up our accomplishments in the Congo very well when it said in an editorial headed "The UN and International Co-operation":

"Many nations took a constructive part, and will continue to do so, in the Congo operation, but perhaps special mention should be given to India, Nigeria, Malaya, Ethiopia, Ireland, Sweden, Tunisia -- and Canada."

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