

and in the circumstances requested him not repeat not have any standing. The next move is up to him.

5. Clearly our approach does not repeat not meet Dixon's idea of the UK requirements. On the other hand, a line markedly nearer to the UK position and meeting Turkish requirements would appear to have no repeat no chance of acceptance by the Greeks. Indeed, we much doubt whether even our present Canadian-Norwegian paper would not repeat not be rejected by the Greeks as being too near the British position. The UK delegation seem to share our assessment on this point.

6. Advisers on the UK delegation have let us understand that there is still a possibility of something useful developing from our response to the original UK request for help. We propose to take no repeat no other action unless there are new developments.

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*Le représentant permanent auprès des Nations Unies
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*Permanent Representative to United Nations
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My telegram 2063 December 2 contains the texts of the Indian and the latest Iranian resolutions. The voting situation with which we may be confronted on these resolutions seems to us as follows:

2. The Iranian resolution, which may be voted on first, corresponds to the aims of the UK delegation and is in itself, we think, quite a good effort. It would be hard not repeat not to vote for it. On the other hand the Greeks may oppose it and the Indians likewise.

3. The Indian resolution is now couched in pretty mild terms. It will have Greek support and probably that of many of the Afro-Asian group and quite a large number of others. The British and Turks will in all probability be opposed to it.

4. Our dilemma therefore may be that instead of a resolution carrying the acquiescence of all three parties we shall have two competing resolutions, to neither of which we would object in substance. One possible line of voting would be to vote for the Iranian resolution, which is politically more neutral, and to abstain on the Indian resolution, which in inspiration is more biased.

5. I hope to be able to speak to the Under-Secretary by phone after this morning's meeting, since voting instructions along this line would mean moving away from the position of strict neutrality which we have up to now maintained on the Cyprus issue. We have found throughout the debate that several delegations including the USA, Netherlands, Norway and New Zealand have views similar to ours and they will thus face the same voting problem as ourselves, although we do not repeat not know yet how they may meet it.

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