long report. I spent days and weeks sifting through tons of reports sent in by the truce people, by the Israelis, by the Arabs. These were alleged breaches of the truce. I had to write a long report about it and I did. I said that while there were a lot of incidents and charges and claims, they had all been investigated and on the whole the truce had held up and was a success. That was the final conclusion.

I'll never forget. After he read it, he came up to me and shook my hand and said it was a wonderful report, very accurate. He went to the Security Council and that was the first time they threatened to use Chapter VII of the Charter. They approved the truce extension and said that if either side refused the Security Council would take action under Chapter VII of the Charter. So, they extended the truce for a period of time.

Then he came back and we were working on his report. We had lengthy discussions. I argued with him and others and some of my points they agreed with and others they did not agree with. Then he came up with the report that the Negev would be divided and that the Jews would be given the areas they had captured in the fighting, Lod and Ramle which is east of Tel Aviv, and the parts they had captured in Galilee. Then they had all of Galilee, all of the Coastal plain down to Egypt. But he wanted to give the eastern part of the Negev to the Arab state.

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