

After the vote had been taken, the Canadian representative added:

With respect to the amendment submitted by the distinguished representative of India which was accepted by the sponsors and became paragraph 1 of the resolution, the Canadian delegation took into account the fact that it had abstained on the occasion of the setting up of the Good Offices Commission and therefore considered that it should also abstain on this paragraph.

Voting Results Following is the text of the resolution (U.N. Doc. A/Resolution/218) adopted by the Ad Hoc Political Committee on October 28, 1954, by a vote of 47 in favour to 1 against (South Africa) and 10 abstentions (including Canada).

Text of Resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling that at several sessions it has considered the question of the treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa and has adopted resolutions on that subject,

Having noted the report of the United Nations Good Offices Commission (A/2723),

1. Expresses appreciation of the work and efforts of the Good Offices Commission;
2. Suggests to the Governments of India, Pakistan and the Union of South Africa that they should seek a solution of the question by direct negotiations;
3. Suggests, moreover, that the parties concerned should designate a Government, agency or person to facilitate contacts between them and assist them in settling the dispute;
4. Decides that, if within the next six months following the date of the present resolution the parties have not reached agreement on the suggestions made in the foregoing paragraphs, the Secretary-General shall designate a person for the purposes specified above;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its next regular session on the results obtained.

