

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): We also remember that the Governments of the United States, Great Britain, and the Soviet Union had undertaken to promote the reorganization of this Government on a broader democratic basis. I have no doubt that this excellent decision responds to the wishes of the Polish people, too, and so we must do our best to implement it as soon as possible.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): It is also obvious that the question of reorganizing the Polish Government is not a matter for this Conference. It has to be dealt with by the three Allied Governments and especially by the Poles themselves. We all want in Poland a government having a broader democratic basis, a government with which diplomatic relations will be established by all Allied governments. This is understood. But if we are not supposed to undertake at this Conference the settlement of the Polish issue as a whole, neither must we ignore the fact that an international conference is being held at this very moment which is not attended by representatives of the Polish people. In any case we cannot refuse a seat at this Conference to representatives of the Polish people, our heroic Ally, while granting one to representatives of Argentina, which in this war has not been helping us, but our enemies.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): It may be argued that Argentina has sinned, but that her sins may be forgotten. This may be true, perhaps we should really forget Argentina's sins. But let me ask you: If certain sins committed by Argentina may be forgotten, why should we forget Poland's services, why should we forget the great services of the Polish Nation in the struggle against our common foe?

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): We have at this Conference an Indian Delegation. But India is not an independent state. We all know that the time will come when the voice of an independent India will be heard, too. Nevertheless we share the view held by the British Government which suggested that representatives of India should be granted a seat at this Conference, imperfect though her status is.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): We have at this Conference a Philippine Delegation. But the Philippines are not an independent country. We know full well that the time will come when we shall be able to hear the voice of independent Filipinos, too. But we have agreed with the United States Government, which suggested that the Philippines have a voice even with their present status.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): The Soviet Union still has no diplomatic relations with certain governments represented at this Conference. In spite of this fact the Soviet Government, meeting half way the suggestions of Great Britain and the United States of America, raised no objections to the invitation of all the delegations present here, no matter whether the countries in question maintain diplomatic relations with all of the sponsoring states. We felt that in this case we were bound to meet the wishes of Great Britain and the United States. All this was prompted by a desire on the part of the Soviet Union to come to terms with the other sponsoring governments on Conference matters.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): Up to now all invitations to this Conference have been approved unanimously by the four sponsoring governments which hold an equal position here. We consider this a very good rule and are opposed to any disruption of our unity.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): I think that we should all value our unanimity and try to insure that any new suggestion that has not been sufficiently studied by anyone, be given serious thought. That is why we think it proper that the question of Argentina should be settled in exactly the same manner as others have been, but not in all haste.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): The Soviet Delegation suggest that the question of inviting Argentina to this Conference be postponed for a few days for further study.

MR. MOLOTOV (in Russian):

INTERPRETER (in English): This is the only request made by the Soviet Delegation.