

Mr. Green: On China we have taken the same position that the United States has taken. We have not recognized Red China and we have not voted for her admission to the United Nations.

Mr. Wechsler: But you have traded with her considerably.

Mr. Green: Yes, that's right and we trade with the Soviet Union and with Poland, and with Communist countries.

Mr. Wechsler: Why did you follow the United States rather than Great Britain on the issue of Red China?

Mr. Green: We didn't follow the United States. I want to make that perfectly clear. We adopt this policy because we think it is the right policy. If we disagreed with the United States we would disagree regardless of what they thought.

Mr. Mali: Yet, when you come to the foreign policy of Canada which is to promote world peace and so on, why doesn't Canada take an active position or policy in order to promote East-West negotiations at this: most on Berlin for instance? The Afro-Asian nations and the undeveloped and the non-aligned nations in the world are really very disappointed to see countries like Canada which in recent years have once in a while taken initiative which separated from the United States and the big western powers, and the eastern powers, and taking initiative to bring the two big powers together.

Mr. Green: Well we have taken a very definite stand throughout in favour of having the Berlin question negotiated, and if you will remember in the opening speech at the United Nations a few weeks ago we advocated that there should be a United Nations presence in Berlin and on the access routes. We also said that in our opinion it would be wise to move some of the United Nations activities to Berlin - for example the European office. I think you're quite wrong when you say that we haven't taken any initiative at all about promoting mediation in Berlin because this has been our effort from the start. We're a little disappointed with the non-aligned countries because they didn't say very much when the Russians started setting off these tests.

Mr. Mali: Would you favour at this time immediate negotiations between the United States and the western powers and the Soviet Union on the German issue in Berlin?

Mr. Green: I don't understand that.

Mr. Mali: Would you favour immediate negotiations, that such negotiations should start immediately.

Mr. Green: I don't know about immediate negotiations but we have urged from the start that they should commence negotiations. There has never been any wavering in Canada's stand in that regard.