

Canada voted throughout with the representatives of administering powers against the resolution but did not participate in the debate.

By a resolution of the General Assembly adopted on December 14, 1946, an *ad hoc* Committee had been formed for the purpose of examining the Secretary-General's analysis of information submitted for non-self-governing territories by colonial powers in accordance with Article 73(e) of the Charter. The Committee was invited to assist the Assembly in its consideration of information of this nature during the Second Session and to make recommendations regarding procedures to be followed in the future. The *ad hoc* Committee met at Lake Success before the opening of the Second Session and drew up a report containing five draft resolutions which were subsequently referred to the Fourth Committee.

The first resolution recommended that information transmitted under Article 73(e) should be as complete and up-to-date as possible and should be arranged according to a standard form set out as an appendix to the resolution. A few minor additions to the form were made in the Fourth Committee and the resolution was carried unanimously both in Committee and in the General Assembly.

The second resolution authorized the Secretary-General to make use of official statistical information supplementary to that transmitted under Article 73 (e) of the Charter if it was available in the Secretariat and the Member concerned agreed. In the Fourth Committee a Soviet amendment was adopted which would have permitted the use of this material for purposes of comparing conditions prevailing in dependent territories with those prevailing in the territory of the metropolitan power. In the Assembly this amendment was replaced by another permitting comparisons to be made between conditions in dependent areas and conditions in sovereign territories similarly situated, where it was felt that more useful comparisons might be made.

There was prolonged discussion of the third resolution, which noted that some Members had voluntarily transmitted information, not asked for in Article 73(e) of the Charter, on the development of political institutions in their territories and added that since this