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Statement by Dr. A. Anstensen, Canadian Representative on the Fourth Committee, on Tuesday, October 18, 1960



Information from Non-Self Governing Territories

Mr. Chairman,

In common with the other distinguished delegates who have preceded me in this debate, I wish first of all to extend to you, Sir, the congratulations and good wishes of the Canadian Delegation on your election as Chairman of this Committee. It is evident to me, from your conduct in the chair and the courtesy and strict impartiality which mark your handling of our work, that the Fourth Committee is indeed fortunate in the selection of its presiding officer. I have also been struck by the readiness of so many delegates to assure you of their full co-operation in tackling the heavy agenda that faces us which I think reflects a general feeling that we are here to build for the future rather than dispute about the past; my own country is in complete agreement with these sentiments.

May I also associate my Delegation with the good wishes that have been extended to our Vice-Chairman, Dr. Ortiz de Rozas and to our Rapporteur, Mr. Boeg.

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It is a matter of particular pleasure to us that seventeen new member states, all but one of them African, are participating in this Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly. I am especially happy that two of them, the representatives of the Republic of Cameroun and of the Central African Republic, are now my neighbours on this Committee. If I single out one other new member -- the Federation of Nigeria -- for a

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