

Dag Hammarskjöld, you know, played quite a part; he was very much in this...."

That evening the General Assembly voted to accept the 16 applications, and there was a standing ovation before Martin spoke. He sums up:

"The argument of the British and French was pretty strong. They had said, 'If this goes ahead, we are going to have a whole plethora of nations and we are going to have a real debating society here. It is going to be annoying.' And everything they said would happen did happen. They were right, but it would have happened anyhow. Oh, I am sure it was the right thing to do. It would have happened a few years later, anyhow. All these new countries were coming into being; you couldn't deny them admission to the United Nations. Article 4 of the Charter is so clear, you know."