The Canadian Representative in the *Ad Hoc* Political Committee, Mr. G. D. Weaver, M.P., spoke in the general debate on November 5. He said it was obvious that little progress towards a solution of the new members problem had been made since the eighth session.

> The situation still remains that fourteen states* whose admission is overwhelmingly supported by the General Assembly and by the Security Council are kept out by the veto of one member of the Security Council. A further seven applicants** have been unable to obtain the seven supporting votes in the Security Council necessary for a positive recommendation to the General Assembly. Until some solution has been found and deserving applicants have been admitted, we cannot claim that the United Nations is in a position to speak for the world as a whole and to exercise its functions as it should. The Canadian Delegation considers it a matter of great importance that some means should be found to solve this problem, and that all of those states which are eligible for admission under the provisions of the Charter should be added to our councils as soon as possible.

Mr. Weaver paid tribute to the efforts of the Committee of Good Offices and said the Canadian Delegation favoured its being continued "to be ready to take immediate advantage of any new development which might make a solution possible". Mr. Weaver said that the Canadian Delegation would give its "wholehearted support" to the Australian resolution.

Action by Security Council Recommended

A number of draft resolutions recommending action by the Security Council were considered in the Committee. The Representative of India and the Representatives of Argentina, Cuba and El Salvador agreed to combine in one resolution draft proposals which they had submitted separately. Their combined resolution eventually was adopted unanimously in the *Ad Hoc* Committee. It expressed appreciation of the work of the Committee of Good Offices and requested continuation of its efforts; referred all pending applications to the Security Council "together with a full record of the discussions in the present session of the General Assembly for further consideration and positive recommendations"; suggested that the Security Council should meet to consider the problem and requested both the Council and the Committee of Good Offices "to report to the General Assembly during the present session if possible and in any event during the tenth regular session".

Adoption of the resolution sponsored by India, Argentina, Cuba and El Salvador left four other resolutions before the Committee – the Australian resolution; a resolution sponsored by Argentina, Cuba and El Salvador proposing support for all non-communist applicants except South Korea and Viet Nam; a United States proposal recommending support for non-communist applicants including South Korea and Viet Nam, and a familiar Soviet bloc fourteen-power "package" proposal. The Soviet bloc proposal had been rejected at earlier sessions because of its exclusion of Japan and general weighting in favour of the communist countries. The four resolutions eventually were disposed of in the *Ad Hoc* Committee by adoption of a resolution proposed by

* Portugal, Jordan, Ireland, Italy, Austria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, South Korea, Libya, Japan, Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia.

** Albania, Mongolia, Hungary, Roumania, Bulgaria, North Korea and Democratic Republic of Viet Nam.