

President de Gaulle has been very critical of the United Nations, and I don't agree with that. Lord Home was critical, but in the reports of his speech the emphasis was placed on the first half, which was the critical portion; the second half was played down and in the second half he praised the United Nations. I personally think Lord Home was too critical of the organization, but that's a matter of opinion.

Mr. MacKenzie - There is also a matter of economics. This seems to have become critical at the United Nations. What would be your view of the future financing of the United Nations?

Mr. Green - This financing of the United Nations is a very serious problem, and a great deal of trouble has been caused by the expense of the United Nations Emergency Force in the Middle East and particularly by the cost of the Congo operation. I think it costs about \$10 million a month. It is a very sad fact that some countries refuse to pay anything towards either of these operations. The Communist countries pay nothing toward the cost of the United Nations Emergency Force and they pay nothing toward the cost in the Congo. The French pay nothing for the Congo. The Belgians were paying nothing toward the Congo operation, but they changed their policy a few weeks ago. This defaulting has meant that other countries have had to pay more than their share. If every country paid its fair share for the cost of these operations, the United Nations would have no financial problems.

The finances of the United Nations had fallen so far behind that at the last session the General Assembly authorized a bond issue of \$200 million; it is hoped that the repayment of that bond issue will be made possible by all countries paying their regular assessments. In other words, the cost of redeeming the bond issue will be included in the regular assessment. The financing of the United Nations has certainly been a very difficult problem and it's been of great concern to Canada. We have taken a very active part in trying to find a solution to the problem.

Mr. MacKenzie - What part of the bond issue is Canada buying?

Mr. Green - The bond issue is for \$200 million. Our commitment is for \$6.2 million

Mr. MacKenzie - I would like to pursue the question of Canada's vote in the United Nations. The suggestion was made some years ago - at the time of the previous United Nations intervention - that a permanent police force might be set up under the United Nations to which countries such as Canada could contribute. Has this idea been pursued or has there been a change in the original concept?