

Czechoslovakia, Indonesia, Ireland and Nepal) with 2 abstentions (Greece and Mexico). The additional abstention on paragraph 2 was that of El Salvador.

5. The General Committee is meeting again this afternoon to consider the USSR request for an additional item dealing with 10 to 15 percent reduction in military budgets and a Ukrainian request for an additional item dealing with the organization of an international public health and medical research year. The Chairman hopes to complete the consideration of these items this afternoon, as well as the question of allocation of items to committees in order that the General Assembly may have recommendations in these connections before it on Monday.

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Extrait des conclusions du Cabinet

Extract from Cabinet Conclusions

SECRET

[Ottawa], September 21, 1958

Present:

The Prime Minister (Mr. Diefenbaker) in the Chair,
 The Minister of Finance (Mr. Fleming),
 The Minister of Veterans Affairs (Mr. Brooks),
 The Minister of Transport (Mr. Hees),
 The Solicitor General (Mr. Balcer),
 The Minister of National Defence (Mr. Pearkes),
 The Minister of Trade and Commerce (Mr. Churchill),
 The Minister of Justice (Mr. Fulton),
 The Minister of National Revenue (Mr. Nowlan),
 The Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Harkness),
 The Minister of Citizenship and Immigration (Mrs. Fairclough),
 The Minister of Fisheries (Mr. MacLean),
 The Minister of Labour (Mr. Starr),
 The Postmaster General (Mr. William Hamilton),
 The Minister without Portfolio (Mr. Macdonnell),
 The Minister without Portfolio (Mr. Browne) (for afternoon meeting only),
 The Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys (Mr. Comtois),
 The Minister of National Health and Welfare (Mr. Monteith),
 The Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Smith),
 The Minister of Defence Production (Mr. O'Hurley),
 The Secretary of State (Mr. Courtemanche).
 The Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Bryce),
 The Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Fournier).

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UNITED NATIONS; RECOGNITION OF CHINA; DRAFT STATEMENT

3. *The Secretary of State for External Affairs* reported that there would be a motion before the U.N. on the following day on the admission of Communist China to the United Nations. This question had come up for the last five or six years. Each time, the United States had brought forward a resolution, the effect of which was to postpone consideration of the issue for a fixed period, such as for the duration of the current session of the General Assembly. On Thursday, the steering committee had adopted by 12 votes to 7, with 2 abstentions, the U.S. proposal that the Assembly should,