

that the committee select its bureau from amongst its members. Canada will be glad to initiate or to support a resolution to this effect. One method the committee might wish to follow when it resumes its work would be to examine the Report dated May 31st 1965 submitted by the Secretary General and the President of the 19th Session, in particular paragraph 52 of that Report indicating guidelines in regard to future peacekeeping operations, as well as the comments on such guidelines submitted by member states. The guidelines might be taken as a basis for our discussions on rules to govern the authorization and financing of future peacekeeping operations. We would urge that the committee examine also the question of the control and administration of peacekeeping operations, including such matters as advance planning by member states and arrangements for co-ordination of such plans by the Secretariat or in some other way.

Turning to part (b) of the item before us, the authorization and financing of future peacekeeping operations, my delegation welcomes the bold and imaginative proposals put before us by the Government of Ireland. I listened with much interest to the explanation of his proposals which the distinguished Foreign Minister of the Republic of Ireland placed before us on October 25. My Government agrees entirely with what it understands to be the two major principles enunciated by the Government of Ireland: first that the Assembly has a residual responsibility for the authorization of peacekeeping operations and that such authorization must be based on wide support amongst member states, and second that a reliable system of financing peacekeeping operations which takes into account the principle of capacity to pay is necessary and urgent. My delegation therefore regards the proposals in the draft resolution put forward by the delegation of Ireland as a positive contribution to our debates on this subject. We shall listen with interest to the views of other delegations and reserve our right to speak again at a later stage in the debate if this appears to be necessary.