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PRESIDENT EISENHOWER VISITS THE UNITED NATIONS

President Eisenhower, second from left, visited the United Nations Headquarters on December 8 and delivered an address to the General Assembly. Before proceeding to the General Assembly auditorium, Mr. Eisenhower is shown above, left to right, with Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, Secretary-General of the United Nations; Madame Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, President of the United Nations General Assembly; and Mr. John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State of the United States.

of atomic energy without which adequate safeguards against the use of atomic bombs cannot be insured. The U.S.S.R. has up to now shown no indication that it is ready to accept all the implications of what is regarded by the West as an effective international control system including continuous inspection of national territories and plants. As pointed out by President Eisenhower, his proposal has "the great virtue that it can be undertaken without irritations and mutual suspicions incident to, any attempt to set up a completely acceptable system of world wide inspection and control".

On December 9 the Prime Minister welcomed the President's "imaginative and constructive approach to what is perhaps the greatest problem of the day" and assured the Members of the House of Commons that the President's statement would receive "most careful and sympathetic consideration by the Canadian Government".

Measures to Reduce Tension

The Soviet Union's demands for the unconditional prohibition of atomic weapons and a one-third reduction of armed forces (see above) were repeated in the Soviet draft resolution on the subject of "Measures to avert the threat of a new world war and to reduce tension in international relations", which was belatedly placed on the agenda of the eighth session at the request of the U.S.S.R., and which was discussed by the Political Committee during the week of November 19-26. In addition to the usual requests concerning disarmament, the Soviet resolution urged the holding under the auspices of the Security Council of an International Conference on Disarmament, the elimination of military bases on foreign territories which should be recognized as "increasing the threat of a new world war" and the condemnation of war propaganda. The