

another—was a mere fake I think we must recognize the fact, bitter as it is, that the insidiousness of politics is, for the moment at least, much stronger than the high ideals of the United Nations.” The representative of the Lebanon said that they had been led to believe that they were considering the whole question anew and that the aim was peace and reconciliation. “For four weeks,” he said, “we have been spectators in a game which we took to be real, and now suddenly we discover that in reality we were the dupes.”

The vote on the resolution as a whole was 31 votes in favour, 7 against, with 16 abstentions, as follows :

In favour : Afghanistan, Argentina, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, China, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, France, Guatemala, Honduras, Iceland, India, Iran, Liberia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Sweden, Turkey, Union of South Africa, United Kingdom, United States of America, and Uruguay.

Against : Byelo-Russia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Ukraine, Soviet Union, Yugoslavia.

Absentions : Australia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Egypt, Greece, Haiti, Iraq, Lebanon, Mexico, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Siam, Syria, Venezuela, Yemen.

Absent : Burma, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Paraguay.

The following is the text of the resolution as finally adopted :

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Taking account of the present situation in regard to Palestine,

I

Strongly affirms its support of the efforts of the Security Council to secure a truce in Palestine and calls upon all Governments, organizations, and persons to co-operate in making effective such a truce.

II

1. Empowers a United Nations Mediator in Palestine, to be chosen by a Committee of the General Assembly composed of representatives of China, France, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom, and the United States, to exercise the following functions :

(a) To use his good offices with the local and community authorities in Palestine to :

- (i) Arrange for the operation of common services necessary to the safety and well being of the population of Palestine ;
- (ii) Assure the protection of the holy places, religious buildings and sites in Palestine ;
- (iii) Promote a peaceful adjustment of the future situation of Palestine.