

# ARTICLE 4

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**TEXT OF ARTICLE 4**

1. Membership in the United Nations is open to all other peace-loving states which accept the obligations contained in the present Charter and, in the judgment of the Organization, are able and willing to carry out these obligations.

2. The admission of any such state to membership in the United Nations will be effected by a decision of the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Security Council.

**INTRODUCTORY NOTE**

1. In the period covered by this Supplement constitutional issues which have arisen in respect of Article 4 have not been of so wide a range as in the previous study of Article 4 in the Repertory. Questions of interpretation have engaged the attention of the General Assembly and of the Security Council less than in the earlier period. The General Survey continues the brief outline of action and is supplemented by the tabulation in the annex.

2. The decisions of the two organs for the most part bear upon portions or phrases of Article 4 and are treated in the Analytical Summary of Practice under the relevant portions or phrases. In some instances, material bearing on various aspects of the question of admission to membership is treated together under one heading, to which cross references are given under the headings relating to the other relevant aspects.

## I. GENERAL SURVEY

### A. Use of subsidiary organs

3. During the period covered by this Supplement, the Security Council has continued to examine applications directly, without reference to its Committee on the Admission of New Members. During its ninth session in 1954, the General Assembly requested 1/ the Committee of Good Offices established in 1953 2/ to continue its efforts. The Committee submitted a preliminary report 3/ to the General Assembly at its tenth session in 1955, expressing its readiness to continue its efforts during the session. The Assembly expressed 4/ its appreciation of the Committee's work.

### B. States admitted to membership and applications which remain pending

4. The following States were admitted to membership during the period covered: 5/

Albania	Finland	Laos
Austria	Hungary	Libya
Bulgaria	Ireland	Nepal
Cambodia	Italy	Portugal
Ceylon	Jordan	Romania
		Spain

5. In each case admission was decided by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Security Council.

6. Up to the end of the period covered by this Supplement, the Security Council had recommended the admission of the following applicants, but the General Assembly had not yet acted on the recommendations: 6/

The Sudan	Morocco	Tunisia
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7. Up to the end of the period covered by this Supplement, the following applicants had not been recommended by the Security Council, and their applications remained pending: 7/

Mongolian People's Republic	Republic of Viet-Nam
Republic of Korea	Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Japan

### C. Action taken by the Security Council and by the General Assembly concerning the application for admission of new Members

8. At its ninth session in 1954, the General Assembly adopted a resolution 8/ by which it decided to send back to the Security Council the pending applications for membership

1/ G A resolution 817 (IX).

2/ G A resolution 718 (VIII).

3/ G A (X), annexes, a.i. 21, p. 1, A/2973.

4/ G A resolution 918 (X).

5/ Listed in alphabetical order; all these States were admitted on 14 Dec. 1955.

6/ Listed in chronological order of recommendation.

7/ Listed in chronological order of reproduction of applications in document form.

8/ G A resolution 817 (IX).

for further consideration and positive recommendation, and requested the Committee of Good Offices to continue its efforts.

9. The Security Council did not discuss the question of admission of new Members during the period between the ninth and tenth sessions of the General Assembly.

10. In a joint draft resolution submitted during the tenth session of the General Assembly, in its original form by twenty-five, and in its revised form by twenty-eight Member States, 9/ the General Assembly, after noting the general sentiment often expressed in favour of the widest possible membership of the United Nations and after stating its belief that a broader representation in the membership of the United Nations would enable the organization to play a more effective role in the current international situation, would have (1) expressed appreciation of the work and efforts of the Committee of Good Offices; (2) requested the Security Council to consider, in the light of the general opinion in favour of the widest possible membership of the United Nations, the pending applications for membership of all those eighteen countries about which no problem of unification arose; and (3) further requested the Security Council to make its report on these applications to the General Assembly during its tenth session. A USSR amendment 10/ to mention the countries referred to in this joint draft resolution was withdrawn 11/ later after revision 12/ of the proposal to cover "all those eighteen countries" about which no problem of unification arose. The Cuban delegation submitted an amendment 13/ to make the second operative paragraph read

"Requests the Security Council, in the light of the general opinion that the United Nations should have the widest possible membership of States possessing the qualifications required by Article 4 of the Charter, to consider the pending applications for membership in accordance with the principles established by the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice of 28 May 1948."

This amendment was rejected by the Ad Hoc Political Committee by a roll-call vote of 38 to 7, with 14 abstentions, and the paragraph was then approved by 52 votes to 2, with 5 abstentions. 14/ The draft resolution was adopted by the General Assembly as resolution 918 (X).

11. During the tenth session of the General Assembly, the Security Council adopted a recommendation for the admission of sixteen countries: Albania, Jordan, Ireland, Portugal, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Romania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, Libya, Cambodia, Laos and Spain.

12. Before closing its tenth session, the General Assembly decided 15/ to admit to membership the countries recommended by the Security Council.

13. The Council made no recommendations regarding the following applications which were the subject of proposals voted upon when the above-mentioned recommendation was adopted: the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Viet-Nam, the Mongolian People's Republic and Japan.

9/ G A (X), annexes, a.i. 21, p. 4, A/3079, para. 6 (A/AC.80/L.3 and Add.1 and Add.2/Rev.1).

10/ Ibid., para. 7 (A/AC.80/L.5).

11/ G A (X), annexes, a.i. 21, A/3079, para. 11.

12/ Ibid., para. 3 (A/AC.80/L.3/Rev.1).

13/ Ibid., para. 9 (A/AC.80/L.7).

14/ Ibid., para. 15.

15/ G A resolution 995 (X).

14. The Security Council recommended the admission of the Sudan in February and of Morocco and Tunisia in July 1956.

## II. ANALYTICAL SUMMARY OF PRACTICE

### A. Questions bearing upon the provisions of Article 4 (1)

#### 1. *The question of the universality of the Organization*

15. A specific reference to the universality of the Organization was made in one of the General Assembly resolutions 16/ adopted during the period under review. There was also a less direct reference in a resolution 17/ adopted by the General Assembly (see paragraph 10 above) as well as in a joint draft resolution 18/ submitted to the Security Council (cf. paragraph 27 below), in both of which the phrase "widest possible membership of the United Nations" was used.

##### a. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL REFERRING TO THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY

16. The joint draft resolution mentioned in paragraph 15 above and explained further in paragraph 27 below was submitted by Brazil and New Zealand to the Security Council at its 701st meeting on 10 December 1955. The preamble of the joint draft resolution referred to resolution A/RES/357 [resolution 918 (X)] containing the phrase "widest possible membership of the United Nations".

##### b. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REFERRING TO THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY

17. The preamble of a joint draft resolution 19/ submitted during the ninth session of the General Assembly in 1954 to the Ad Hoc Political Committee by Argentina, Cuba, El Salvador and India stated that the General Assembly noted the growing general feeling in favour of the universality of the United Nations, membership in which was open to all peace-loving States that accepted the obligations contained in the Charter and; in the judgement of the Organization, were able and willing to carry out those obligations. This paragraph and the draft resolution as a whole were adopted unanimously by the Committee 20/ and by the General Assembly 21/ as General Assembly resolution 817 (IX), mentioned in paragraph 8 above.

18. During its tenth session the General Assembly referred to "the widest possible membership of the United Nations" in resolution 918 (X) which is set out briefly in paragraph 10 above.

#### 2. *The question whether a new State created through the division of a Member State of the United Nations, acquires membership in the Organization*

19. No decisions requiring treatment under this heading were taken during the period under review.

16/ G A resolution 817 (IX).

17/ G A resolution 918 (X).

18/ S C, 10th yr., 701st mtg., para. 101.

19/ G A (IX), annexes, a.i. 21, p. 12, A/AC.76/L.11/Rev.1.

20/ G A (IX), Ad Hoc Pol. Com., 26th mtg., paras. 75 and 76.

21/ G A (IX), Plen., 501st mtg., para. 129.

**3. The question of the manner in which applicant States are to indicate their acceptance of the obligations contained in the Charter**

**\*\* a. THE INSTRUMENT OF ADHERENCE - THE PRACTICE UNDER THE FORMER RULES OF PROCEDURE**

**b. THE FORMAL INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE - THE PRACTICE UNDER THE PRESENT RULES OF PROCEDURE**

20. Sixteen new Members 22/ were admitted during the period under review. Formal instruments of acceptance of the obligations contained in the Charter were, in the case of four of these new Members, 23/ submitted in final form after their admission by the General Assembly. In the case of one new Member 24/ the instrument was not received in final form during the period under review. When the applications of these five countries were first submitted rules of procedure were in effect under which the applicant State had to declare its readiness to accept the obligations in the Charter. These obligations were deemed to be accepted and membership to become effective only with the deposit of an instrument of adherence to the Charter, following approval of the application by the General Assembly.

**4. The question of the respective roles of the Security Council and the General Assembly regarding the judgement to be made by the Organization**

21. The resolution 25/ adopted by the Security Council on 14 December 1955 contained no express reference to the judgement of the Security Council, but simply stated that the Council, having considered the application of the sixteen countries, recommended that they be admitted. The decision of the General Assembly on the admission of these sixteen applicants 26/ likewise contained no express reference to the judgement of the General Assembly. The other three recommendations 27/ made by the Security Council and one of the resolutions 28/ adopted by the General Assembly on the question of admission of new Members during this period also did not refer to this portion of Article 4. The preamble of the resolution 29/ adopted by the General Assembly at its ninth session repeats the phrase of Article 4 (1) "in the judgment of the Organization" in the following paragraph:

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22/ Albania, Jordan, Ireland, Portugal, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Romania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, Libya, Cambodia, Laos and Spain, all admitted (in that order) on 14 December 1955.

23/ Finland - Instrument submitted in final form on 15 December 1955.  
Hungary - Instrument submitted in final form on 15 December 1955.  
Portugal - Instrument submitted in final form on 21 February 1956.  
Italy - Instrument submitted in final form on 9 April 1956.

24/ Ireland.

25/ The recommendation adopted by the Security Council on 14 December 1955 (transmitted by document A/3099) listed sixteen applicant States, the Council having previously taken separate votes on the candidature of each applicant.

26/ The text of G A resolution 995 (X) likewise gave the sixteen applicants in one document; a separate vote was taken on each applicant.

27/ Security Council resolutions of 6 February 1956 (S/3546), 20 July 1956 (S/3624) and 26 July 1956 (S/3629).

28/ G A resolution 918 (X).

29/ G A resolution 817 (IX).

"Noting the growing general feeling in favour of the universality of the United Nations, membership in which is open to all peace-loving States which accept the obligations contained in the Charter and, in the judgment of the Organization, are able and willing to carry out those obligations,".

*5. The question of the meaning to be attached to the terms "peace-loving states... able and willing to carry out [the] obligations [contained in the Charter]"*

22. Many references have been made by individual representatives and delegations, at one time or another, to the meaning to be attached to the following terms of Article 4 (1): "peace-loving states...able and willing to carry out [the] obligations [contained in the Charter]". Although there have been statements of position in respect of specific interpretations of these terms, there has never been any attempt, in proposals submitted to the Council or the General Assembly, to define their meaning in any general sense.

23. Reference was made to these words in the resolution adopted by the General Assembly at its ninth session (see paragraph 21 above). They were also referred to in proposals 30/ submitted during the discussion in the Ad Hoc Political Committee at the ninth session but not voted upon either by that Committee or by the General Assembly. None of the recommendations adopted by, or of the proposals submitted to, the Security Council during this period contained any specific reference to this passage of Article 4.

*6. The question of the submission of information or evidence by applicants in connexion with the requirements of Article 4 (1)*

24. No decisions requiring treatment under this heading have been taken in the period under review.

*7. The question of conditions of admission*

25. As indicated in the study on Article 4 in the Repertory, the question of conditions of admission was the subject of an advisory opinion delivered by the International Court of Justice on 28 May 1948. This advisory opinion 31/ was referred to in one proposal during the period under review. In the course of discussion of the joint draft resolution, adopted as General Assembly resolution 918 (X), set forth briefly in paragraph 10 above, the Cuban delegation submitted an amendment requesting the Security Council to consider the pending applications in accordance with the principles established by the Court's advisory opinion in 1948. This amendment was rejected (see paragraph 10 above).

**B. Questions bearing upon the provisions of Article 4 (2)**

*1. The question of separate or simultaneous consideration and/or admission of applicants*

**a. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL**

26. Three draft resolutions listing a number of applicants were submitted to the Security Council. The first was voted upon in parts and no vote was taken on the draft resolution as a whole because the Council failed to adopt the main portion of

30/ G A (IX), annexes, a.i. 21, pp. 10 and 11, A/AC.76/L.4 and A/AC.76/L.9/Rev.1.

31/ Admission of a State to the United Nations, I C J, Reports 1948, p. 65.

the proposal. The second draft resolution was voted upon in parts and was then adopted as a whole. A brief account of the proceedings of the Council regarding these two proposals is given below. The third draft resolution 32/ was voted upon as a whole and was not adopted.

27. Brazil and New Zealand submitted a joint draft resolution 33/ to the Security Council at its 701st meeting on 10 December 1955, by the terms of which the Council, having noted General Assembly resolution 918 (X), and considered separately the application of the eighteen countries mentioned in the text, would recommend their admission to the General Assembly. The Council subsequently decided to give priority to this proposal. The President, speaking as the representative of New Zealand, explained that although the procedure contemplated by his delegation involved a separate vote on each applicant, there must also be a vote on the group of applicants as a whole. Another member of the Council understood the draft resolution to represent a single entity to be considered by the General Assembly in that sense. If amended by the Assembly in any way, the Council's recommendation would lose its meaning as an entity and would consequently have to be referred back to the Security Council for reconsideration.

28. One member of the Council said that the operative part of the joint draft resolution appeared to be a legalization of the "package deal", 34/ particularly if the Council were to accept the foregoing interpretation.

29. The representative of China submitted an amendment 35/ for the addition of the Republics of Korea and Viet-Nam to the list contained in the draft resolution. One representative noted that if this amendment were adopted, the Council would not be acting in accordance with the Assembly's request; this would diminish the chances of success. Another representative considered the amendment designed to obstruct a decision by the Council, since it would radically alter the meaning of the joint draft resolution. Other members of the Council stated that they would vote in favour of the amendment and noted that the Security Council, being an autonomous organ, was not bound by resolutions of the General Assembly. 36/

30. The President, proposing a paragraph by paragraph vote, stated his intention of putting the Chinese amendment to the vote immediately before the vote on the countries listed in the joint draft resolution. The representative of the USSR proposed that the two applications in question should be voted upon at the point in the list of countries which they occupied according to the chronological order of submission of application. This proposal was rejected by 8 votes to 1 (USSR) with 2 abstentions (Iran and Turkey).

31. The first paragraph was approved. The amendment to the second paragraph was rejected. The names of only four applicants remained in the second paragraph following completion of the separate votes on the applicants. The second paragraph as a whole, having received one vote in favour (USSR) and 4 against (Brazil, China, Peru, Turkey), with 6 abstentions, the remainder of the draft resolution and the proposal as a whole were not put to the vote. 37/

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32/ S C, 10th yr., 706th mtg., para. 19.

33/ S C, 10th yr., 701st mtg., para. 101.

34/ S C, 10th yr., 703rd mtg., para. 26.

35/ S C, 10th yr., 703rd mtg., para. 61.

36/ For text of relevant statements, see S C, 10th yr., 704th mtg.

37/ S C, 10th yr., 704th mtg., paras. 49-74.

32. At its 705th meeting on 14 December 1955, the Security Council considered and voted upon a USSR draft resolution 38/ according to which the Security Council, having considered the applications of sixteen countries, named in the text, should recommend to the General Assembly the admission of those countries.

33. The representative of the United States proposed the addition of Japan to the list of sixteen States. The United States amendment received 10 votes in favour and 1 against (USSR) and was not adopted since the negative vote was that of a permanent member of the Council. The Council voted on the USSR draft resolution paragraph by paragraph, and voted separately on the candidature of each applicant. The Council then adopted the USSR draft resolution as a whole by 8 votes to none, with 3 abstentions (Belgium, China, United States of America). 39/

b. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

34. Draft resolutions mentioning or referring to a number of applicants were submitted at both the ninth and the tenth sessions of the General Assembly, in connexion with the admission of new Members. No vote, however, was taken on the draft resolutions submitted at the ninth session. One of the draft resolutions submitted at the tenth session did not name the applicants, but merely referred to "all those eighteen countries about which no problem of unification arises". An amendment to name each of these countries was withdrawn during the debate. This draft resolution was approved by the Ad Hoc Political Committee and was adopted by the General Assembly as resolution 918 (X). Another draft resolution, based on a recommendation of the Security Council, mentioned sixteen applicant States. Each State was the subject of a separate vote. The draft resolution as a whole was then adopted 40/ by the Assembly as resolution 995 (X).

35. The following is a summary of the proceedings before the General Assembly at its tenth session.

Proceedings at the tenth session of the General Assembly

(a) Before consideration by the Security Council

36. The joint draft resolution submitted to the Ad Hoc Political Committee and adopted by the General Assembly as resolution 918 (X), and the USSR amendment have been described in paragraph 10 above.

37. The joint draft resolution was supported by the majority of speakers in the debate, who noted an increasing tendency to accept the principle of universality. They stressed the importance of having the widest possible membership of the United Nations as well as the growing realization that the question of admission could be solved only by means of a compromise. The United Nations should be a truly representative organization in which different social and political systems could exist side by side. These representatives held that adoption of the joint draft resolution would not entail a repudiation of the principles of Article 4. It was also maintained that the admission of new Members was a political issue calling for a political solution in the light of the interests of the international community and of the development of international relations.

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38/ S C, 10th yr., 705th mtg., para. 9.

39/ Ibid., paras. 25-47.

40/ G A (X), Plen.; 555th mtg., paras. 7-26.

38. Some representatives expressed reservations concerning particular applicants or concerning their attitude towards each application should a recommendation be received from the Security Council. Others indicated that they would abstain in the voting on the joint draft resolution, because they doubted whether it was in conformity with the provisions of Article 4.

39. Two representatives opposed the draft resolution on the ground that it constituted a "package deal" which its proponents frankly conceded to be contrary to the Charter and to the advisory opinion of the Court. The only justification that had been advanced, that of expediency, was open to grave doubts. They noted that some of the applicants covered by the proposal did not satisfy the conditions required for admission and objected further that adoption of the draft resolution would have the effect of excluding the Republics of Korea and Viet-Nam from membership. <sup>41/</sup>

40. After the amendments submitted by Cuba, including one to add the names of the Republics of Korea and Viet-Nam, had been rejected, the joint draft resolution as a whole was adopted in Committee by a roll-call vote of 52 to 2, with 5 abstentions.

#### Decision

The draft resolution recommended by the Ad Hoc Political Committee was adopted by the General Assembly by a roll-call vote of 52 to 2, with 5 abstentions.

(b) After receipt of a recommendation by the Security Council

41. The Council recommended the admission of sixteen countries (see paragraph 32 above) and a draft resolution <sup>42/</sup> was submitted to the General Assembly by forty-one Member States. It was to the effect that the Assembly, having received the recommendation of the Security Council for the admission of the following countries: Albania, Jordan, Ireland, Portugal, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Romania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, Libya, Cambodia, Laos and Spain, and having considered the applications of each of those countries, should decide to admit them to membership in the United Nations. The General Assembly voted <sup>43/</sup> separately on the recommendation concerning each of the countries mentioned. It then adopted the draft resolution as a whole, with 1 abstention.

### *2. The question of the nature of the functions of the Security Council and of the General Assembly envisaged by the words "will be effected by a decision of the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Security Council"*

42. The General Assembly continued its practice of admitting new Members only on the basis of a positive recommendation by the Security Council. In its one resolution <sup>44/</sup> to admit new Members during this period, the General Assembly has expressly taken note of the fact that a recommendation for the admission of the various applicants had been received from the Security Council.

### *3. The question whether the recommendation of the Security Council is subject to the voting procedure prescribed by Article 27 (3) of the Charter*

#### PRACTICE OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

43. The practice of the Security Council in this respect has continued unchanged. In particular, abstentions by permanent members have continued to be regarded as not affecting the requirement of concurring votes of those members.

<sup>41/</sup> For text of relevant statements, see G A (X), Ad Hoc Pol. Com., 25th-32nd mtgs.

<sup>42/</sup> G A (X), annexes, a.i. 21, p. 7. A/L.208.

<sup>43/</sup> G.A (X), Plen., 55th mtg., paras. 7-26.

<sup>44/</sup> G A resolution 995 (X).

ANNEX

Tabulation of principal instances in which formal votes relating to admission of new Members were taken by the Security Council and the General Assembly

I. SECURITY COUNCIL

<u>Applications and draft resolutions: a/</u>	<u>Meeting and date</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Vote Against</u>	<u>b/ Abstention</u>	<u>Result of proceedings</u>
<u>1955</u>					
Draft resolution (S/3502) providing that the Council, noting General Assembly resolution A/RES/357 (918 (X)), and having considered separately the applications for membership of Albania, the Mongolian People's Republic, Jordan, Ireland, Portugal, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Romania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, Libya, Cambodia, Japan, Laos and Spain, would recommend to the Assembly the admission of those countries and amendment (S/3506) to add the Republics of Korea and Viet-Nam to the above list. c/					
First paragraph of preamble . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	8	0	3	Adopted
Opening words of second paragraph of preamble .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	0	2	Adopted
Inclusion of:					
The Republic of Korea . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	1*	1	Not included
The Republic of Viet-Nam . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	1*	1	Not included
Albania . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	7	0	4	Included

a/ Draft resolutions are identified as such only when they concerned a number of applications, but see p. iv, Japan, fn. f/.

b/ When a negative vote by one or more permanent members of the Security Council is included in the votes against, the corresponding figure is marked with an asterisk.

c/ The voting on this draft resolution and on the amendment included a vote on the various parts of the proposal and a separate vote on the inclusion of each of the countries listed both in the draft resolution and in the amendment.

Applications and draft resolutions

Meeting and date

For    Vote Against    Abstention    Result of proceedings

1955 (cont'd)

The Mongolian People's Republic . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	8	1*	2	Not included
Jordan . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Ireland . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Portugal . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Hungary . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	0	2	Included
Italy . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Austria . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Romania . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	0	2	Included
Bulgaria . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	0	2	Included
Finland . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Ceylon . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Nepal . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Libya . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Cambodia . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Japan . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Laos . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	10	1*	0	Not included
Spain . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	9	1*	1	Not included
Second paragraph of preamble d/ . . . . .	704th mtg., 13.12	1	4	6	Not adopted

Draft resolution (S/3509) providing that the Council, bearing in mind General Assembly resolution A/RES/357 (918 (X)), having considered separately the applications for membership of Albania, Jordan, Ireland, Portugal, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Romania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, Libya, Cambodia, Laos and Spain, would recommend to the General Assembly the admission of those countries and amendment to add Japan to that list. e/

d/ Because of the rejection of the second paragraph there was no vote on the last paragraph or on the draft resolution as a whole.

e/ This draft resolution was also voted upon in parts, there being a separate vote on the amendment to add Japan and on the candidature of the other countries listed.

Applications and  
draft resolutions

Meeting and date

For    Vote  
Against    Abstention

Result of  
proceedings

1955 (cont'd)

First paragraph of the preamble . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	8	0	3	Adopted
Opening words of second paragraph . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	9	0	2	Adopted
Amendment to add Japan . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	10	1*	0	Not adopted
Candidature of Albania . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	8	0	3	Approved
Candidature of Jordan . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Ireland . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Portugal . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Hungary . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	9	0	2	Approved
Candidature of Italy . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Austria . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Romania . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	9	0	2	Approved
Candidature of Bulgaria . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	9	0	2	Approved
Candidature of Finland . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Ceylon . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Nepal . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Libya . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Cambodia . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Laos . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	11	0	0	Approved
Candidature of Spain . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	10	0	1	Approved
Second paragraph as a whole . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	8	0	3	Adopted
Operative paragraph . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	8	0	3	Adopted
Draft resolution as a whole . . . . .	705th mtg., 14.12	8	0	3	Adopted
Draft resolution (S/3510) to recommend to the General Assembly that it admit Japan at its eleventh regular session. <u>f/</u>	706th mtg., 15.12	10	1*	0	Not adopted
Draft resolution (S/3512) to recommend to the Assembly that it admit the Mongolian People's Republic and Japan at its eleventh session.	706th mtg., 15.12	1	0	10	Not adopted

f/ Only the first part of the draft resolution excluding the words "at its eleventh regular session", was put to the vote.

<u>Applications and draft resolutions</u>	<u>Meeting and date</u>	<u>Vote</u>			<u>Result of proceedings</u>
		<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstention</u>	
<u>1956</u>					
The Sudan . . . . .	716th mtg., 6.2	11	0	0	Adopted
Morocco . . . . .	731st mtg., 20.7	11	0	0	Adopted
Tunisia . . . . .	732nd mtg., 26.7	11	0	0	Adopted

## II. GENERAL ASSEMBLY (plenary only)

<u>Draft resolutions recommended by the relevant Committee, or submitted directly to the plenary</u>	<u>Meeting and date</u>	<u>Vote</u>			<u>Result of proceedings g/</u>
		<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstention</u>	
<u>1954</u>					
Draft resolution A (A/2793), recommended by the Ad Hoc Political Committee provided that the General Assembly, noting the growing general feeling in favour of the universality of the United Nations would decide to send back to the Security Council the pending applications for membership for further consideration and positive recommendations; would request the Committee of Good Offices to continue its efforts and would request the Council and the Committee to report to the General Assembly during the ninth session if possible, and in any event during the tenth session.	501st mtg., 23.11		Unanimous		Resolution 817 (IX)
<u>1955</u>					
Draft resolution (A/3079), recommended by the Ad Hoc Political Committee provided that the General Assembly, having noted the general sentiment expressed on numerous occasions in favour of the widest possible membership of	552nd mtg., 8.12	52	2	5	Resolution 918 (X)

g/ Resolutions which have effected admission of new Members are marked with two asterisks.

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the relevant Committee, or submitted  
directly to the plenary

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the United Nations would (1) express appreciation of the work and efforts of the Committee of Good Offices; (2) request the Council to consider, in the light of the general opinion in favour of the widest possible membership of the United Nations, the pending applications for membership of all those eighteen countries about which no problem of unification arose; and (3) request the Council to report on those applications during the tenth session of the Assembly.

Draft resolution (A/L.208) submitted by forty-one countries providing that the General Assembly, having received the recommendation of the Council that Albania, Jordan, Ireland, Portugal, Hungary, Italy, Austria, Romania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ceylon, Nepal, Libya, Cambodia, Laos and Spain be admitted to membership, having considered the application for membership of each of those countries, would decide to admit those sixteen countries to membership in the United Nations. h/

555th mtg., 14.12

Resolution  
995 (X) \*\*

Recommendation concerning Albania . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	48	3	5	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Jordan . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	55	0	1	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Ireland . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	56	0	0	Admitted

h/ The General Assembly voted separately on the recommendation of each of the countries listed. No formal vote was taken on the draft resolution as a whole. Cuba requested that it be shown as abstaining on the proposal as a whole.

Draft resolutions recommended by  
the relevant Committee, or submitted  
directly to the plenary

1955 (cont'd)

	<u>Meeting and date</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Vote Against</u>	<u>Abstention</u>	<u>Result of proceedings</u>
Recommendation concerning Portugal . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	56	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Hungary . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	49	2	5	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Italy . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	56	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Austria . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	56	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Romania . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	49	2	5	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Bulgaria . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	50	2	5	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Finland . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	57	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Ceylon . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	57	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Nepal . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	57	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Libya . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	56	0	1	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Cambodia . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	57	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Laos . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	57	0	0	Admitted
Recommendation concerning Spain . . . . .	555th mtg., 14.12	55	0	2	Admitted