

to ensure that it had the widest possible authority to investigate every aspect of the situation. In the second place, it would be manifestly unjust and illogical to allow full discussion on the subject when only one of the contending groups was represented at the Assembly. Whatever might be done to hear representatives of the second group they could not be accorded equal rights. If the Committee of Inquiry were given the widest possible order of reference, then all parties would have the fullest possible opportunity of expressing their views before that Committee. Finally, the New Zealand delegate stated that if it were agreed that no decision could be reached at the special meeting of the Assembly, then there could be no object whatsoever in embarking upon a discussion of the substance of the dispute, the only object of which could be to reach a decision in advance of the evidence.

In concluding his address the New Zealand delegate urged that every one concerned should strive to establish an atmosphere of peace and tranquillity during the whole period between the special meeting of the Assembly and the final decision of the General Assembly after receiving the report of the Committee of Inquiry. That was a plea which should be unanimously sponsored by the Assembly, supported by every Government, broadcast throughout the world, emblazoned on every journalistic headline, endorsed in every pulpit, repeated in every school, and adopted by every public speaker on this great and solemn problem: that all right-thinking people throughout the world should so comport themselves during the next few pregnant months as to ensure that the inquiry could be conducted in that atmosphere of calm and peace which alone could enable the task to be performed and a solution to be attained which would bring justice to all and relief to suffering humanity. All hands should be held, all voices stilled, except in considered and responsible argument before the Committee which was to be established. The New Zealand delegate most solemnly urged magnanimity, patience, and moderation on the part of all so that a true truce of God could be established during the months to come; that all would refrain from any form of provocation or exacerbation, by word or by deed, in their consideration of this great and agonized human problem. The New Zealand delegate expressed the hope that for that brief period at least—and he hoped for all time—passions would be stilled; that all would look forward, not backward. In no other way could the United Nations fulfil its high and onerous responsibility. In no other way could mankind prove itself worthy of humanity.

During the debate on the report of the General Committee the Polish delegation again introduced its resolution which had been defeated in the General Committee, and the whole question of the propriety of admitting outside organizations to participate in the proceedings of the General Assembly was debated again at length. The Slav delegations contended that if, as the United States delegation argued, there was