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QUESTION OF THE REPRESENTATION OF CHINA IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Report of the Special Committee on the Representation of China

The Special Committee on the Representation of China, established by General Assembly resolution 490 (V) of 19 September 1950, met on 15 December 1950 and elected Sir Benegal Rau, the Permanent Representative of India, as Chairman. It decided at that time to leave to the Chairman's discretion as to when to call a further meeting in the light of the discussions which were then in progress relating to a cease-fire in Korea.

The Special Committee met again on 16 October 1951 in order to prepare its report to the fifth session of the General Assembly. It rejected, by 5 votes to 2, a Polish draft resolution calling upon the fifth session of the General Assembly to exclude the representatives of the National Government of China and to invite the representatives of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China. The Special Committee then authorized the Chairman, by 5 votes to 1, with 1 abstention, to inform the General Assembly that, in present circumstances, it had been unable to make any recommendation on the question of the representation of China.