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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS OF WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND OF THE STAGE REACHED IN THEIR CONSIDERATION

Pursuant to Rule 11 of the Provisional Rules of Procedure of the Security Council, I submit the following summary statement of matters of which the Security Council is seized and of the stage reached in their consideration on 22 September 1948.

- 1. The Iranian Question (see document S/988);
- 2. Special Agreements under Article 43 and the organization of the Armed Forces made available to the Security Council (see document S/988);
- 3. Rules of Procedure of the Security Council (document S/988);
- 4. <u>Statute and Rules of Procedure of the Military Staff committee (see document S/988)</u>;
- 5. The general regulation and reduction of armaments and information on Armed Forces of the United Nations (see document S/988);
- 6. Appointment of a Governor of the Free Territory of Trieste (see documents S/988);
- 7. <u>The Egyptian Question (see document S/988)</u>;
- 8. The Indonesian Question (see document S/988);
- 9. <u>Voting procedure in the Security Council (see document S/988)</u>;
- 10. Procedure in application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Charter with regard to the Pacific Islands under strategic trusteeship of the United States of America (see document S/988);
- 11. Application for Membership (see document S/988);
- 12. The Palestinian Question (see document S/988);

By cablegram dated 17 September (S/1002), Mr. Ralph Bunche, Personal Representative of the Secretary-General, informed the Security Council of the assassination in Jerusalem of Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations Mediator, and Colonel Perot of the French Air Forces, a United Nations Observer.

At its 358th meeting on 18 September, the Council paid tribute to Count Bernadette and Colonel Serot and adopted a resolution requesting the Secretary-General to keep the flag of the United Nations at half mast for a

period of three days, authorizing the Secretary-General to meet all expenses connected with the death and burial of the United Nations Mediator and resolving to be represented at the interment by its President or the person whom he might appoint for the occasion (\$\frac{\sc{S}}{1006}\$). The Council also approved two cablegrams sent by the Acting Secretary-General on 17 September empowering Mr. Bunche to assume full authority for the Palestine Mission until further notice and requesting General Lundstrom, Chief of Staff of the Mediator, to make the fullest investigation of the circumstances of the shooting (\$\frac{\sc{S}}{1003}\$). It was agreed to send copies of these cablegrams to the Chairman of the Truce Commission together with a request that he and his colleagues give fullest co-operation to Mr. Bunche and to General Lundstrom.

A message dated 17 September addressed by the Personal Representative of the Secretary-General to the Foreign Minister of the Provisional Government of Israel, extracts from the reply dated 19 September and a cablegram dated 17 September from the Foreign Minister of the Provisional Government of Israel to the Secretary-General, all concerning the assassination, were distributed to the members of the Council as documents \$\frac{\screen}{5/1004}\$, \$\frac{\screen}{5/1005}\$ and \$\frac{\screen}{5/1005}\$.

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