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AGENDA

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Ireland.
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation.
3. Appointment of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President.
5. Organization of the session.
6. Adoption of the agenda.
7. Consideration of the grave situation in Tunisia obtaining since 19 July 1961.¹

APPOINTMENT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The General Assembly appointed, in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure, a Credentials Committee to examine the credentials of representatives and decided that the Committee would have the same composition as that for the fifteenth regular session.²

The Committee was constituted as follows: COSTA RICA, HAITI, MOROCCO, NEW ZEALAND, PHILIPPINES, SPAIN, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

*996th plenary meeting,
21 August 1961.*

PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS

The General Assembly decided that the functions of president and vice-president would be assumed by the President and Vice-Presidents of the fifteenth session, as follows:

President of the General Assembly:

Mr. Frederick H. Boland (Ireland).

Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly:

The representatives of the following Member States: BULGARIA, CANADA, CHINA, FRANCE, JAPAN, LIBYA, PAKISTAN, PANAMA, SUDAN, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and VENEZUELA.

*996th plenary meeting,
21 August 1961.*

¹At its 996th plenary meeting, on 21 August 1961, the General Assembly decided to consider this item without reference to a Committee.

²For the resolution adopted on the report of the Credentials Committee, see page 1.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON THE REPORT OF THE
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

**1621 (S-III). Credentials of representatives to the third special session
of the General Assembly**

The General Assembly

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.³

*1005th plenary meeting,
25 August 1961.*

³*Official Records of the General Assembly, Third Special Session, Annexes, agenda item 3, document A/4854.*

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITHOUT REFERENCE
TO A COMMITTEE**

**1622 (S-III). Consideration of the grave situation in Tunisia obtaining
since 19 July 1961**

The General Assembly,

Having examined the grave situation prevailing in Tunisia since 19 July 1961 which was the subject matter of Security Council consideration in its meetings of 21, 22, 28 and 29 July 1961,⁴

Noting with concern and regret that France has not fully complied with the provisions of the interim resolution adopted by the Security Council on 22 July 1961,⁵

Noting that the Security Council has failed to take further appropriate action,

Convinced that the presence of French armed forces in Tunisian territory against the express will of the Tunisian Government and people constitutes a violation of Tunisia's sovereignty, is a permanent source of international friction and endangers international peace and security,

1. *Reaffirms* the Security Council's interim resolution and urges the Government of France to implement fully the provisions of operative paragraph 1 thereof;
2. *Recognizes* the sovereign right of Tunisia to call for the withdrawal of all French armed forces present on its territory without its consent;
3. *Calls upon* the Governments of France and Tunisia to enter into immediate negotiations to devise peaceful and agreed measures in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations for the withdrawal of all French armed forces from Tunisian territory.

*1006th plenary meeting,
25 August 1961.*

⁴ *Official Records of the Security Council, Sixteenth Year, 961st to 966th meetings.*

⁵ *Ibid., Supplement for July, August and September 1961, document S/4882.*