

DRAFT RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AT THE 587TH MEETING
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 3 JULY 1952

QUESTION OF REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF
ALLEGED BACTERIOLOGICAL WARFARE

The Security Council,

Noting the concerted dissemination by certain Governments and authorities of grave accusations charging the use of bacteriological warfare by United Nations forces,

Recalling that when the charges were first made the Unified Command for Korea immediately denied the charges and requested that an impartial investigation be made of them,

Noting that the Chinese Communist and North Korean authorities failed to accept an offer by the International Committee of the Red Cross to carry out such an investigation but continued to give circulation to the charges,

Noting that the World Health Organization offered to assist in combating any epidemics in North Korea and China, and that the Unified Command for Korea agreed to co-operate,

Noting with regret that the Chinese Communist and North Korean authorities rejected the offer and refused to permit the entry of the World Health Organization teams into territories controlled by these authorities,

Noting that the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics has, in the United Nations, repeated the charges that United Nations forces were engaging in bacteriological warfare,

Noting that the draft resolution submitted by the Government of the United States proposing an impartial investigation of these charges by the International Committee of the Red Cross was rejected by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and that by reason of the negative vote of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics the Security Council was prevented from arranging for such an impartial investigation,

1. Concludes, from the refusal of those Governments and authorities making the charges to permit impartial investigation, that these charges must be presumed to be without substance and false;
2. Condemns the practice of fabricating and disseminating such false charges, which increases tension among nations and which is designed to undermine the efforts of the United Nations to combat aggression in Korea and the support of the people of the world for these efforts.

