

“ Furthermore recommends the Governments of Greece, Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia to inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations at the end of six months, for communication to Member States of the United Nations, of the fulfilment of the above-mentioned recommendations.”

Repatriation of Greek Children

“ The General Assembly

“ Recommends the return to Greece of Greek children at present away from their homes when the children, their father or mother or, in his or her absence, their closest relative, express a wish to that effect ;

“ Invites all the Members of the United Nations and other States on whose territory these children are to be found to take the necessary measures for implementation of the present recommendation ;

“ Instructs the Secretary-General to request the International Committee of the Red Cross and the League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies to organize and ensure liaison with the national Red Cross organizations of the States concerned with a view to empowering the national Red Cross organizations to adopt measures in the respective countries for implementing the present recommendation.”

Palestine

Progress Report of the United Nations Mediator

Following the express wish of the late Count Bernadotte, the Secretary-General of the United Nations requested that the General Assembly should include this item in its agenda for the third regular session. It will be recalled that the difficulties encountered by the Security Council in its attempt to implement the General Assembly's plan of partition with economic union for Palestine (resolution of 29 November, 1947) had led the Council to call for a special session of the General Assembly “ to consider further the question of the future government of Palestine.”

This Special Assembly decided on 14 May, 1948, to arrange for the appointment of a Mediator whose functions should include the promotion of a peaceful adjustment of the situation in Palestine. The five Permanent Members of the Security Council, who had been requested by the Assembly to choose the Mediator, unanimously appointed Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden, on 20 May, 1948.

The resolution of 14 May, 1948, instructed the Mediator to render progress reports to the Security Council and to the Secretary-General for transmission to the members of the United Nations. He was also directed “ to conform in his activities . . . with such instructions as the General Assembly or the Security Council may issue,” and to co-operate with the Truce Commission which had been established by