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RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL

The General Council takes note of the appeal made by Prime Minister Tunku Abdul Rahman of Malaysia to the conscience of the free world and in particular the countries of the Commonwealth to act in providing support to Malaysia in defence of its territory and freedom against aggression. The Council recalls the prompt and spontaneous support given by the Prime Minister of Malaysia on the very day that the Chinese Communist troops invaded this country in October 1962. The Council calls upon the Indian Government to declare publicly and without delay its full support for the defence of the security and freedom of Malaysia and its readiness to give all possible aid to the Malaysia Government.

The Council expresses the hope that in the defence of the independence of Laos against Communist subversion and aggression the Government of India will shed its past policy of non-interference and turning a blind eye to Communist aggression will join other democratic countries in demanding the withdrawal of Communist forces from the territory they have recently occupied and failing such withdrawal give the Government of Laos every assistance that may be possible. In this context the Council deplores the failure of the Indian representative in Laos to associate himself with the representatives of the United States, Britain, Canada, Thailand and South Vietnam in calling for the withdrawal of Communist forces from the territory seized by them by force and asks that this unhelpful and equivocal attitude should be abandoned.