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Text of resolution adopted by the Council
of the League of Arab States

PERMANENT MISSION OF EGYPT TO THE
UNITED NATIONS

Text of the resolution adopted by the
Council of the League of Arab States
on 12 August 1956

"The Political Committee of the League of Arab States has considered the situation subsequent to the decision of the Egyptian Government nationalizing the Suez Canal Company and has adopted the following resolutions:

1. The Arab States support the decision taken by the Egyptian Government nationalizing the Suez Canal Company. It is an Egyptian limited liability company and the Canal is an integral part of Egypt. The Arab States consider the action taken by the Egyptian Government an act of sovereignty.
2. The Arab States proclaim the unity of their sentiments and purposes with Egypt as well as their solidarity with Egypt as regards all steps taken by her.
3. The Arab States appeal to the abandonment of the pressure and menaces to which Egypt has been subjected and consider that the best way for the solution of international disputes is the adoption of the peaceful means provided for in the Charter of the United Nations.
4. The Political Committee shall proceed with its sittings for the study of all questions connected with the present situation and the adoption of the resolutions necessary for that situation."

New York, 13 August 1956.

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Text of the resolution adopted by the
Council of the League of Arab States
on 13 August 1956

"The Political Committee resumed its meetings and studied with care the comprehensive statement made by President Gamal Abdel Nasser in the name of the Egyptian Government on August 12th, 1956, with regard to the nationalisation of the Egyptian Limited Suez Canal Company.

The Committee has received the statement with deference and admiration. Its satisfaction emanated from the fact that the statement came in accordance with the spirit and objectives of the resolutions adopted by the League Council in its sitting held on August 12th, 1956.

The Political Committee adopted the following resolutions:

1. The Political Committee reaffirms its whole support for the Egyptian Government proclamation of the faith in the necessity of exerting every effort to maintain world peace, for its adherence to the pledges stipulated in the United Nations Charter and the resolutions of the Bandung Conference which urge that international disputes be settled by peaceful means, its willingness to cooperate with the governments of the other powers signatories of the Constantinople Convention of 1888 to convene a congress in which it will be represented with the other remaining powers whose vessels cross the Suez Canal, and this with a view to reexamine the Constantinople Convention and to study the conclusion of an agreement between all these governments which will reensure the free navigation in the Suez Canal.

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2. The Political Committee discerns that the aims pursued by the Government of Egypt are in accordance with international rights and savour of good will and therein lies a deep reassurance to all world powers for its maintenance of free navigation in the canal.

3. The Arab States reassure their solidarity with Egypt for maintaining its sovereignty and the safeguard of its national rights and consider every aggression directed against the sovereignty of any Arab State as an Aggression on the sovereignty of all the Arab States.

New York, 14 August 1956

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Déclaration faite par l'administrateur délégué
de l'Organisme de gestion du Canal de Suez
le 13 août 1956

"Afin de clarifier la situation réelle de tout le personnel employé et ouvrier, l'Organisme de gestion du Canal de Suez informe qu'il conservera tout le personnel de la Compagnie nationalisée (pilotes, personnel marin, employés, contremaîtres, aide-contremaîtres, ouvriers) égyptiens et non-égyptiens, qu'ils soient titularisés ou par contrats spéciaux.

L'Organisme désire confirmer à tous qu'il leur garantit la continuation de leur travail aux mêmes conditions qui les régissaient sous le régime de la Compagnie nationalisée. Il leur accorde les mêmes avantages dont ils bénéficiaient en ce qui concerne tant les traitements que les gratifications, primes diverses et autres, ainsi que les retraites qui seront calculées sur les mêmes bases que celles prévues par les règlements de la Compagnie nationalisée.

L'Organisme, en confirmant ce qui précède, désire que chacun continue à accomplir son travail d'une façon parfaite. Toute négligence ou abstention de travail ou retard dans son accomplissement se verra immédiatement appliquer les peines prévues par les lois et règlements en vigueur, et ce dans l'intérêt de la bonne marche du travail dans l'artère vitale du Canal de Suez. Par contre, l'Organisme de gestion du Canal est heureux de faire savoir que toute assiduité et tout zèle seront appréciés et récompensés."

New York, 14 Août 1956.