

2563.

FORMOSA --- EISENHOWER SIGNS.

4/2/55.

Watched by the leaders of Congress, President Eisenhower signed the Resolution passed by the Senate and ~~the House of~~ Representatives granting emergency powers to use the armed forces of the United States in defence of Formosa --- if necessary. And here --- at UNO --- the Security Council debate, on those danger-zone islands off China. American support was forthcoming for the New Zealand proposal to discuss a cease-fire..... but objection was raised by Mr Sobolev, of Soviet Russia. The ~~debate~~ voting was nine nations in favour of the discussions --- and one vote against -- by Russia.

W  
And now --- to the Formosa Strait..... with a ship of the Chinese Nationalist Navy, bringing refugees from the outlying Tachen Islands to Formosa itself. A grim spectacle, that has become all too familiar; women and children, lost and bewildered; many of the children were orphaned in the opening bombardment from Communist China. Also among the evacuees, were wounded soldiers of the Nationalist Army.