



MR MA ... yesterday's picture

A SELF-GOVERNMENT REFERENDUM IN HONGKONG CALL

THE British Government was urged yesterday to hold a referendum in Hongkong to find out whether its people wished to have self-government in all civil administration matters.

This was one of the resolutions passed at a recent western Pacific regional conference of the World Federation of United Nations Associations.

The Association is a private organisation and has no affiliation whatsoever with the United Nations. Its participants are people whose goals and ideals are the same as the UN as they try one way or another to charter or carry out the goals of the UN.

The Association

suggested in its resolution that it would raise the matter up with the UN Commission on Human Rights, the UN Committee on De-colonialisation and with the United Nations Association of the United Kingdom.

According to Mr Ma Man-fai, local representative of the UNA who returned yesterday from the 10-day conference in Australia, the Australian delegation tabled the resolution. It received the unanimous support of all 30 delegates from 15 countries including Russia.

The conference also agreed to put on record that any loan or grant to India should be given on the condition that the money was not to be used for nuclear research.