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In New Year's Speech, He Says There Is No Return From Decision to Win Area

JAKARTA, Indonesia, Jan. 1 (P) President Sukarno vowed in a New Year's speech today that Indonesia would continue fighting until she had acquired Netherlands New Guinea.

The President called 1957 "the year of decision," when Indonesia launched an anti-Dutch drive in an effort to win the territory known here as West Irian.

"The year 1958 we are now entering is a year of implementation of that decision and there is no return from that," the Indonesian leader said.

"I am confident we shall get West Irian into our territory," he declared. "We will continue fighting until we achieve it."

President Sukarno said Indonesia was not copying the political ideology or economic doctrine of either the Communist or Western worlds. "We follow an independent policy of our own, adapted to our needs and conditions and completely taking into consideration our culture, characteristics and situation," he said.

Indonesia faces "considerable difficulties and responsibilities in the future," he said, but "with confidence we enter the new year and we shall succeed in what we have undertaken."

Premier Djuanda expressed similar optimism in a New Year's Eve broadcast to the nation. His Government is fully aware of problems created by the anti-Dutch campaign, the Premier said, but the problems will be surmounted.

Maj. Gen. Abdul Haris Nasution, Army Chief of Staff, said in a New Year's message that



Associated Press WILL NOT GIVE UP: President Sukarno of Indonesia, who vowed that his country would not quit the struggle to win possession of Netherlands New Guinea.

1958 would be "even harder" because, he said, the dispute with the Netherlands has reached a climax.

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