

the report on South West Africa submitted to the Committee by the Union of South Africa (or a report on conditions in the Territory of South West Africa prepared by the Committee in accordance with paragraph 12 (c) of General Assembly resolution 749 A (VIII)) together with the observations of the Committee on the report as well as the comments of the duly authorized representative of the Union of South Africa, should that Government decide to follow the General Assembly's recommendation and appoint such a representative.

Special rule B: The General Assembly shall, as a rule, be guided by the observations of the Committee on South West Africa and shall base its conclusions, as far as possible, on the Committee's observations.

PROCEDURE WITH REGARD TO PETITIONS

Special rule C: The General Assembly shall receive annually from the Committee on South West Africa a report with regard to petitions submitted to it. The summary records of the meetings at which the petitions were discussed shall be attached.

Special rule D: The General Assembly shall, as a rule, be guided by the conclusions of the Committee on South West Africa and shall base its own conclusions, as far as possible, on the conclusions of the Committee.

PRIVATE MEETINGS

Special rule E: Having regard to rule 62 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, meetings at which decisions concerning persons are considered shall be held in private.

VOTING PROCEDURE

Special rule F: Decisions of the General Assembly on questions relating to reports and petitions concerning the Territory of South West Africa shall be regarded as important questions within the meaning of Article 18, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations.

*494th plenary meeting,
11 October 1954.*

845 (IX). Educational advancement in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Noting resolution 743 (VIII) of 27 November 1953, by which the Administering Members were recommended to make the greatest possible use of offers that might be made to them by other Member States through the Secretary-General or through the specialized agencies concerned or in other appropriate ways, for the purpose of facilitating the educational advancement of the inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories by such means as making available fellowships, scholarships and internships to qualified students from these Territories,

Noting the view³ expressed by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories in 1953 that the attainment of self-government by Non-

³ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighth Session, Supplement No. 15*, part two, para. 10.

Self-Governing Territories is, *inter alia*, hindered by inadequacies in the education of their peoples,

Considering that facilities for study and training at all levels of education, despite all the efforts made by the Administering Members in the direction of their improvement, are not yet adequate in most of the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

1. *Invites* Member States to extend generously their offers of facilities not only for study and training of university standard but, in the first place, for study at the post-primary level as well as technical and vocational training of immediate practical value;

2. *Invites* Member States offering facilities, in cases where the languages of instruction differ from the languages of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, to consider the possibility of extending the duration of the facilities offered by a preliminary period of language training and other adjustment to the country of study or training;

3. *Invites* Member States to transmit the details of such offers to the Administering Members, to the Secretary-General and to the appropriate specialized agencies;

4. *Recommends* that the Administering Members make the greatest possible use of facilities at all levels of education and training, including the field of fundamental education, that may be offered by States Members of the United Nations;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Administering Members and the specialized agencies concerned, to establish a simple procedure which would enable offers and applications made through the United Nations or the specialized agencies to be brought to the attention of the Administering Members, and thereafter, in the case of applications, to the attention of the offering States concerned together with any observations the Administering Members may have submitted;

6. *Invites* the Administering Members to give appropriate publicity in Territories under their administration to offers of study and training facilities and to take such other measures as will ensure that the greatest possible advantage is taken of the offers;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in the United Nations information material details of all such offers and of the procedures to be followed in submitting applications, and further requests him to transmit such details to the specialized agencies with a view to securing similar publicity in their appropriate publications;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General, after consultation with the Administering Members, to prepare a report for the information of the General Assembly giving details of the offers made and the extent to which they have been taken up.

*498th plenary meeting,
22 November 1954.*

846 (IX). Work of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the report⁴ of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories on the work of its 1954 session;

⁴ *Ibid.*, Ninth Session, Supplement No. 18.

2. *Approves* the special report⁵ on economic conditions in the Non-Self-Governing Territories as a supplement to the report⁶ approved in 1951;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to communicate the special report to the Members of the United Nations responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the Economic and Social Council, to the Trusteeship Council and to the specialized agencies concerned for their consideration;

4. *Expresses its agreement* with the suggestion in the report that the Secretary-General should convene the sixth session of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories for the spring of 1955;

5. *Invites* the Committee to submit a report to the General Assembly at its tenth session, paying particular regard to social conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories as indicated, in particular, in the information transmitted to the Secretary-General in 1954;

6. *Decides* that, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 4 (a) of General Assembly resolution 218 (III) of 3 November 1948, the full summaries and analyses of the information transmitted during 1955 should be submitted to the General Assembly in 1956.

*498th plenary meeting,
22 November 1954.*

847 (IX). Information on problems common to regional groups of Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Having since 1950 approved annually special reports on economic, social and educational conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories,

Considering that these reports express general views and recommendations applicable to Non-Self-Governing Territories as a whole,

Recognizing that conditions in the various regions and in particular Territories may present special problems,

Believing that the consideration of these special problems by the General Assembly should provide an opportunity for the expression of views and recommendations of concrete value to certain regional groups of Territories,

1. *Requests* the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories at its 1955 session to study the manner in which the future reports prepared for the General Assembly may most appropriately be directed to the consideration of information or recommendations concerning the particular problems common to certain regional groups of Territories;

2. *Further requests* the Committee to examine whether any amplification or amendment of the Standard Form is necessary so as to assist the Administering Members in providing concrete information on the particular problems common to certain regional groups of Territories;

3. *Suggests* that the Committee give full consideration to the views expressed on these subjects during

the discussions in the Fourth Committee at the ninth session of the General Assembly.

*498th plenary meeting,
22 November 1954.*

848 (IX). Voluntary transmission of information on political development in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Conscious of the functions it bears over peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories under the principles and objectives set forth in Article 73 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Considering that these principles and objectives relate to the political as well as the economic, social and educational advancement of the peoples concerned,

Recalling that by resolutions 144 (II), 327 (IV) and 637 B (VII) it has sought to secure the transmission by Members administering Non-Self-Governing Territories of voluntary information on the manner and extent to which the peoples of Territories under their administration are being developed for self-government,

Noting with satisfaction that some Members responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories already have voluntarily transmitted some information on the development of self-governing institutions in the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

But noting further that other Members have not yet transmitted such information,

1. *Reiterates* the view that voluntary submission of information on the political development of peoples in Non-Self-Governing Territories is fully in accord with the spirit of Article 73 of the Charter;

2. *Invites* the Administering Members concerned to give the United Nations their utmost co-operation in this regard.

*498th plenary meeting,
22 November 1954.*

849 (IX). Cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of Greenland

The General Assembly,

Recalling that, by resolution 222 (III) of 3 November 1948, the General Assembly, while welcoming any development of self-government in Non-Self-Governing Territories, considers it essential that the United Nations be informed of any change in the constitutional status of any such Territory as a result of which the responsible Government concerned thinks it unnecessary to transmit further information in respect of that Territory under Article 73 e of the Charter,

Having received from the Government of Denmark a communication⁷ dated 3 September 1953 informing the Secretary-General that, as a result of the constitutional amendment adopted on 5 June 1953, Greenland has become an integral part of the Danish Realm with a constitutional status equal to that of other parts of Denmark and that, as a consequence of this constitutional change, the Danish Government regarded its responsibilities under Chapter XI of the Charter in

⁵ *Ibid.*, part two.

⁶ *Ibid.*, Sixth Session, Supplement No. 14, part three.

⁷ See documents A/AC.35/L.155 and Corr.1