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1044 (XI). The future of Togoland under British administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling that, by resolution 944 (X) of 15 December 1955, it recommended, in pursuance of Article 76 b of the Charter of the United Nations, that a plebiscite be organized and conducted in the Trust Territory of Togoland under British administration by the Administering Authority in consultation with and under the supervision of a United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner, in order to ascertain the wishes of its inhabitants in regard to the union of their Territory with an independent Gold Coast or otherwise,

Having received the report of the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner¹ on the organization, conduct and results of the plebiscite, and having noted in particular the conclusion contained in the report that the plebiscite was held in an atmosphere of freedom, impartiality and fairness,

Having also received the report of the United Kingdom Plebiscite Administrator,²

Noting that the majority of the inhabitants of the Trust Territory participating in the plebiscite have expressed themselves in favour of the union of the Territory with an independent Gold Coast,

Noting also the recommendation of the Trusteeship Council in its resolution 1496 (XVIII) of 31 July 1956 that appropriate steps be taken, in consultation with the Administering Authority, for the termination of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory to become effective upon the attainment of independence by the Gold Coast,

Having been informed by the Administering Authority that it is the intention of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland that the Gold Coast shall become independent on 6 March 1957,

1. Expresses its approval of the union of the Territory of Togoland under British administration with an independent Gold Coast and accordingly invites the Administering Authority to take such steps as are necessary to this end;

2. Resolves, with the agreement of the Administering Authority, that, on the date on which the Gold Coast becomes independent and the union with it of the Territory of Togoland under British administration takes place, the Trusteeship Agreement approved by the General Assembly in resolution 63 (I) of 13 December 1946 shall cease to be in force, the objectives of trusteeship having been attained;

3. Requests the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to notify the Secretary-General as soon as the union of the

Territory of Togoland under British administration with an independent Gold Coast has been effected;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to communicate to all Member States and to the Trusteeship Council at its nineteenth session the notification by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, referred to in paragraph 3 above.

*619th plenary meeting,
13 December 1956.*

1045 (XI). Report of the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner for the Trust Territory of Togoland under British administration

The General Assembly,

Having received the report of the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner¹ on the organization, conduct and results of the plebiscite in the Trust Territory of Togoland under British administration,

1. Takes note of the report of the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner;

2. Expresses its high appreciation of the work carried out by the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner and by the United Nations staff under his direction.

*619th plenary meeting,
13 December 1956.*

1046 (XI). The future of Togoland under French administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling section II of its resolution 944 (X) of 15 December 1955,

Having received the special report of the Trusteeship Council,²

Noting that the Trusteeship Council has forwarded the memorandum by the Administering Authority,³ with Decree No. 56-847 of 24 August 1956, requesting termination of the Trusteeship Agreement,

Having received the document entitled "Memorandum by the Government of the Autonomous Republic of Togoland",⁴ which memorandum was transmitted by the Administering Authority to the United Nations,

Having taken note that the report of the Referendum Administrator in Togoland⁵ sets forth as a fact that the population of Togoland under French administration, consulted by referendum on 28 October 1956, expressed itself, by a substantial majority, in favour of the reforms introduced by Decree No. 56-847 setting forth the Statute of Togoland,

Noting further the statements made in the Fourth Committee by the delegation of France, which included representatives of the Government of Togoland,

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 39, documents A/3173 and Add.1.

² Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Eighteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 12, documents T/1269 and Add.1.

³ Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 39, documents A/3169 and Add.1.

⁴ Ibid., document A/3169/Add.1, annex 1.

⁵ Ibid., document A/C.4/341.

⁶ Ibid., document A/3169/Add.1, annex II.