

Noting that the petitioners are finding it difficult to obtain travel documents,

Considering that the exercise of the right of oral petition to the United Nations by the inhabitants of Territories under the International Trusteeship System should be facilitated,

Invites the Administering Members concerned to grant the petitioners referred to in the present resolution travel documents to enable them to appear before the proper organs of the United Nations for hearings, when granted by such organs, and to return thereafter to their places of residence.

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26 February 1957.*

1063 (XI). Offers by States Members of the United Nations of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Noting from the report of the Trusteeship Council the results of the programme of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States to inhabitants of Trust Territories pursuant to General Assembly resolution 557 (VI) of 18 January 1952,²¹

Noting that the major part of the scholarships offered by Member States remains unutilized,

Recalling that, in its resolution 753 (VIII) of 9 December 1953, the General Assembly recommended that the Administering Authorities of the Trust Territories take all such measures as would ensure the greatest possible use by inhabitants of the Trust Territories of the scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States,

1. *Requests* the Member States administering Trust Territories to take all the necessary measures to ensure that scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States be utilized by inhabitants of the Trust Territories, and to render every assistance to those persons who have been granted scholarships or fellowships;

2. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council to consider, at its sessions in 1957, the question of the way in which the scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States are being utilized by inhabitants of Trust Territories and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twelfth session;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its twelfth session a detailed report on the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States for the education of the inhabitants of Trust Territories.

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1064 (XI). Attainment of self-government or independence by Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Taking into account that, in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, one of the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System is the progressive development of the popula-

²¹ *Ibid.*, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 4 (A/3170), part I, chapter V, section 5.

tions of Trust Territories towards self-government or independence,

Taking into account that, under General Assembly resolution 289 A (IV) of 21 November 1949, the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration is to attain complete independence by 1960, and that, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1044 (XI) of 13 December 1956, the Trust Territory of Togoland under British administration is to attain independence in 1957 through union with an independent Gold Coast,

Recalling that the General Assembly, in its resolution 558 (VI) of 18 January 1952, invited the Administering Authority of each Trust Territory to determine the period of time in which it was expected that the Trust Territory concerned should attain self-government or independence, and also taking into account that this question has been repeatedly discussed at subsequent sessions of the General Assembly,

Noting that the Trusteeship Council, in its report to the eleventh session of the General Assembly,²² drew the attention of the Assembly to the fact that up to now the Administering Authorities have not fixed such time-limits,

Attaching great importance to the fixing of definite time-limits for the termination of trusteeship in Trust Territories and for the granting of self-government or independence to the peoples of these Territories,

1. *Recommends* that the Administering Authorities take the necessary measures to ensure that the Trust Territories of Tanganyika, the Cameroons under British administration, the Cameroons under French administration, Togoland under French administration and Ruanda-Urundi achieve self-government or independence at an early date;

2. *Invites* the Administering Authorities to estimate the period of time required for the attainment of self-government or independence by all Trust Territories, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 558 (VI) of 18 January 1952 and the present resolution;

3. *Invites* the Administering Authorities to submit appropriate information to the Trusteeship Council at its nineteenth and twentieth sessions on the implementation of paragraphs 1 and 2 above;

4. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council to report to the General Assembly at its twelfth session on the progress made in implementing the present resolution.

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1065 (XI). The future of the Trust Territory of Tanganyika

The General Assembly,

Having noted, during a hearing granted by the Fourth Committee, the statements of Mr. Julius Nyerere, President of the Tanganyika African National Union, on the situation and the future of the Trust Territory of Tanganyika,²³

Having noted in particular the views expressed by the petitioner to the effect that:

²² *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 4 (A/3170).

²³ *Ibid.*, Eleventh Session, Fourth Committee, 579th and 582nd meetings.

(a) The Administering Authority should declare that the aim of its policy is to develop that Territory into a democratic State,

(b) As an interim measure for the near future, the Constitution of the Territory should be so amended as to introduce parity of representation for Africans on the one hand, and non-Africans on the other,

(c) Universal suffrage on a common roll should be introduced in the Territory,

Having studied that part of the Trusteeship Council's report which deals with Tanganyika,²⁴

Having noted that the Trusteeship Council has expressed the hope that the Administering Authority will continue with all possible speed the process of developing the Territory to the end that an integrated society will be established in which Africans will play their due part,

1. *Draws the attention* of the Administering Authority and the Trusteeship Council to the views expressed by the President of the Tanganyika African National Union and to the relevant debates in the Fourth Committee;

2. *Recommends* to the Administering Authority that it should consider making a statement on the policy it proposes to follow in Tanganyika and should, *inter alia*, include therein the principle that, in accordance with the objectives of the International Trusteeship System, the Territory shall be guided towards self-government or independence and shall become a democratic State in which all inhabitants have equal rights;

3. *Recommends* to the Trusteeship Council that it instruct its periodic visiting mission which will visit the Trust Territories in East Africa in 1957, to study in particular the question of Tanganyika's political development, in the light of such relevant information as it obtains from the Administering Authority and from representatives of the population of the Trust Territory;

4. *Recommends* that the Trusteeship Council include in its next reports, in the framework both of its examination of conditions in the Territory and of the question of the attainment by the Trust Territories of the objective of self-government or independence, a special study of the Territory's political development, in the light of the visiting mission's report and the information obtained from the Administering Authority.

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1066 (XI). Report of the Trusteeship Council covering the period from 23 July 1955 to 14 August 1956

The General Assembly,

Having examined the report of the Trusteeship Council covering the period from 23 July 1955 to 14 August 1956,²⁵

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Trusteeship Council;

2. *Recommends* that the Trusteeship Council, in its future deliberations, take into account the comments

²⁴ *Ibid.*, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 4 (A/3170), part II, chapter I.

²⁵ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 4 (A/3170).

and suggestions made in the course of the discussion of the report at the eleventh session of the General Assembly.

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1067 (XI). Hearings of petitioners from the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under French administration

The General Assembly,

Having granted, in the Fourth Committee, hearings to petitioners representing organizations in the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under French administration,

Having studied that part of the Trusteeship Council's report which deals with the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under French administration,²⁶

1. *Takes note* of the statements of the petitioners and transmits them to the Trusteeship Council for further study;

2. *Expresses the hope* that the Administering Authority will take all necessary measures to restore political activity to normal conditions and to bring to an end the tension which have characterized the political life of the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under French administration;

3. *Recommends* to the Trusteeship Council that it continue to pay attention to the matters dealt with in the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twelfth session.

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1068 (XI). Question of the frontier between the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration and Ethiopia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 392 (V) of 15 December 1950, 854 (IX) of 14 December 1954 and 947 (X) of 15 December 1955,

Taking note of the reports transmitted to the General Assembly by the Governments of Ethiopia²⁷ and Italy²⁸ in accordance with the request contained in resolution 947 (X),

Taking further note of the efforts exerted by both Governments to expedite their current direct negotiations in accordance with the recommendation contained in resolution 947 (X),

Noting further that, so far, only the northern sector of the frontier between the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration and Ethiopia has been discussed,

Recalling that the Trusteeship Agreement will cease to be in force on 2 December 1960, when the Trust Territory shall become an independent sovereign State,

Recalling also that, in accordance with the Trusteeship Agreement, the Administering Authority is re-

²⁶ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 4 (A/3170), part II, chapter V.

²⁷ *Ibid.*, Eleventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 40, document A/3502.

²⁸ *Ibid.*, document A/3463.