

2555 (XXIV). Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations",

Recalling the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples contained in its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

Recalling its resolutions 2311 (XXII) of 14 December 1967 and 2426 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 and other relevant General Assembly resolutions,

Taking into account the relevant reports submitted by the Secretary-General,¹² the Economic and Social Council¹³ and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples¹⁴ concerning the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations,

Noting that some of the specialized agencies have taken steps, including the establishment of relationship agreements or other special arrangements with the Organization of African Unity, designed to increase the scope of their assistance to refugees from the colonial Territories in Africa, and have initiated procedures aimed at facilitating the formulation of joint or complementary projects beneficial to those refugees,

Noting with regret that some of the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned have not extended their full co-operation to the United Nations in the implementation of the relevant General Assembly resolutions,

Mindful of the urgent need of the peoples and the national liberation movements of several colonial Territories for assistance from the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned, especially in the fields of education, training, health and nutrition, in their struggle to attain freedom and independence,

Recognizing the need for further and more effective measures to be taken for the speedy implementation of the Declaration and other relevant General Assembly resolutions by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations,

Considering that by virtue of the Charter, in particular Chapters IX and X, the United Nations shall make recommendations for the co-ordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies,

1. *Reiterates* its appeal to the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the international institutions associated with the United Nations to extend their full co-operation to the United Nations in the achievement of the objectives and provisions of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and other relevant resolutions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to those specialized agencies and the international institutions which have co-operated with the United Nations in the implementation of the relevant General Assembly resolutions;

3. *Recommends* that the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned, as well as the various programmes within the United Nations system, should take measures individually and in collaboration with one another to increase the scope of their assistance to refugees from the colonial Territories, including assistance to the Governments concerned in the preparation and execution of projects beneficial to those refugees;

4. *Recommends* that the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned, as well as the various programmes within the United Nations system, should give all possible assistance to the peoples struggling to liberate themselves from colonial rule and in particular to work out, within the scope of their respective activities and in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity and, through it, with the national liberation movements, concrete programmes for assisting the oppressed peoples of Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and the Territories under Portuguese administration;

5. *Recommends* that, in order to assist in the full and speedy implementation of paragraphs 3 and 4 above, all the organizations concerned should establish relationship and other special arrangements with the Organization of African Unity, and should introduce the greatest possible measure of flexibility in their relevant procedures;

6. *Urges* all the specialized agencies and international institutions, and in particular the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, to take all the necessary steps to withhold financial, economic, technical and other assistance from the Governments of Portugal and South Africa until they renounce their policies of racial discrimination and colonial domination;

7. *Recommends* that all the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations, particularly the International Civil Aviation Organization, the International Telecommunication Union, the Universal Postal Union and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, should work out, within the scope of their respective activities, measures aimed at discontinuing any collaboration with the Governments of Portugal and South Africa, as well as with the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia;

8. *Requests* all States, through action in the specialized agencies and international institutions of which they are members, to facilitate the full and speedy implementation of the present resolution and other relevant General Assembly resolutions;

9. *Recommends* that the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations, in order to facilitate the efforts of Member States to comply fully with paragraph 8 above, should examine, on the basis of reports to be submitted by their respective secretariats, all the problems which they might encounter in their efforts to give effect to the present resolution and to other General Assembly resolutions;

¹² *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda items 69 and 12, document A/7725.

¹³ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/7603 and Corr.1), chapter XIII, section C.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 23 (A/7623/Rev.1), chapter V.

10. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council to continue to consider, in consultation with the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, appropriate measures for the co-ordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies in implementing the relevant General Assembly resolutions;

11. *Invites* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue to assist the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned in working out appropriate measures for implementing the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session;

(b) To obtain and transmit to the Special Committee for its consideration information on the action taken by the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned in accordance with the provisions of the present resolution;

12. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to examine the question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session.

*1831st plenary meeting,
12 December 1969.*

2556 (XXIV). Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2423 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories¹⁵ under General Assembly resolution 845 (IX) of 22 November 1954,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have made scholarships available to inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories;

3. *Reaffirms* its resolution 2423 (XXIII) with respect to the granting of scholarships to inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories;

4. *Invites* the administering Powers concerned to provide all the necessary facilities to enable students to avail themselves of offers by Member States of study and training facilities;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

6. *Draws the attention* of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to the present resolution.

*1831st plenary meeting,
12 December 1969.*

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda items 63, 70 and 71, document A/7744.

2557 (XXIV). United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2349 (XXII) of 19 December 1967 by which the special educational and training programmes for South West Africa, the special training programme for Territories under Portuguese administration and the educational and training programme for South Africans were consolidated and integrated, and its resolution 2431 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 by which, *inter alia*, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to establish an advisory committee of Member States to assist him, among other things, in strengthening and expanding the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,¹⁶

Recalling paragraph 14 of its resolution 2507 (XXIV) of 21 November 1969 concerning the question of Territories under Portuguese administration, in which it invited the Secretary-General to develop and expand training programmes for the inhabitants of those Territories, and the relevant section of the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia,¹⁷

Noting that, although the financial situation has improved during 1969, available funds are still far from adequate to meet the objectives of the Programme,

Welcoming the establishment of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa¹⁸ in accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution 2431 (XXIII),

Strongly convinced that the provision of assistance for the education and training of persons from the Territories concerned is essential and that it is therefore desirable further to strengthen and expand the Programme,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to all those who have contributed to the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa;

2. *Appeals anew* to all States, organizations and individuals to make generous contributions to the Programme;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa within the terms of paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 2431 (XXIII), to take all possible measures for the promotion of adequate contributions to the Programme;

4. *Decides* that, as a further transitional measure, provision shall be made, under section 12 of the regular budget for the financial year 1970, for an amount of \$100,000 to ensure the continuity of the Programme pending the receipt of adequate voluntary contributions;

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, document A/7735.

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 24 (A/7624/Rev.1), paras. 49-56.

¹⁸ The Advisory Committee is composed of representatives of the following Member States: Canada, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, India, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela and Zambia (see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes*, agenda items 63, 70 and 71, document A/7496).