

Having heard the statement of the representative of the administering Power,¹³

Having heard the statements of the petitioners,¹³

Taking into account the observations of the Special Committee and the Trusteeship Council regarding developments in Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea,

Mindful of the responsibility of the United Nations to render all help to the people of Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea in their efforts freely to decide their own future,

1. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea to self-determination and independence in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and the Trusteeship Agreement of 13 December 1946;

2. *Reaffirms further* its previous resolutions regarding Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea;

3. *Takes note* of the arrangements made by the Trusteeship Council, in accordance with paragraph 5 of resolution 2590 (XXIV) and 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, concerning the composition of its forthcoming periodic visiting mission to the Trust Territory of New Guinea in 1971;

4. *Invites* the administering Power to co-operate fully with the visiting mission and to provide it with all the necessary facilities and assistance in the performance of its tasks;

5. *Calls upon* the administering Power to prescribe, in consultation with the freely elected representatives of the people, a specific time-table for the free exercise by the people of Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea of their right to self-determination and independence, and to report to the Trusteeship Council and to the Special Committee on the action taken in that regard;

6. *Requests* the administering Power to intensify and accelerate the education and technical and administrative training of the indigenous peoples of the Territories and the localization of the public service;

7. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council and the Special Committee to continue to examine this question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.

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14 December 1970.*

2701 (XXV). Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1970 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963, in which it requested 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 study the information transmitted to the Secretary-

¹³ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fifth Session, Fourth Committee, 1905th meeting.

General in accordance with Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations and to take such information fully into account in examining the situation with regard to the implementation of the Declaration,

Recalling also its resolution 2422 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 by which the General Assembly, *inter alia*, requested the Special Committee to continue to discharge the functions entrusted to it under resolution 1970 (XVIII), in accordance with the procedures approved by the Assembly in its resolution 2109 (XX) of 21 December 1965,

Recalling further the provisions of paragraph 6 of its resolution 2558 (XXIV) of 12 December 1969, in which it once again urged the administering Powers concerned to transmit, or continue to transmit, to the Secretary-General the information prescribed in Article 73 e of the Charter, as well as the fullest possible information on political and constitutional developments in the Territories concerned,

Having examined the chapter of the report of the Special Committee dealing with the transmittal of information under Article 73 e of the Charter and the action taken by it in respect of that information,¹⁴

Having also examined the report of the Secretary-General on this item,¹⁵

1. *Approves* the chapter of the report 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 relating to the information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations;

2. *Deeply deplores* that, despite the repeated recommendations of the General Assembly and the Special Committee, some Member States having responsibilities for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories still have not seen fit to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter, have transmitted insufficient information or have transmitted information too late;

3. *Condemns* the Government of Portugal for its continued refusal to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter with regard to the colonial Territories under its domination, despite repeated requests by the General Assembly;

4. *Considers* that, in the absence of a decision by the General Assembly itself that the Territories of Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia and St. Vincent have attained a full measure of self-government in terms of Chapter XI of the Charter, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland should continue to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter with respect to those Territories;

5. *Once again urges* the administering Powers concerned to transmit, or continue to transmit, to the Secretary-General the information prescribed in Article 73 e of the Charter, as well as the fullest possible information on political and constitutional developments in the Territories concerned;

6. *Reiterates* its request that the administering Powers concerned transmit such information as early

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/8023/Rev.1), chapter XXI.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fifth Session, Annexes, agenda item 61, documents A/8134 and Add.1.

as possible and, at the latest, within a maximum period of six months following the expiration of the administrative year in the Non-Self-Governing Territories concerned;

7. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to discharge the functions entrusted to it under General Assembly resolution 1970 (XVIII), in accordance with established procedures.

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2702 (XXV). Question of Oman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Oman,

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and all other relevant resolutions,

Bearing in mind the relevant provisions of its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970 containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

Concerned about the situation in the Territory of Oman,

Deploring the refusal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to implement the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly concerning the Territory,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolutions 2238 (XXI) of 20 December 1966, 2302 (XXII) of 12 December 1967, 2424 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 and 2559 (XXIV) of 12 December 1969;

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of Oman to self-determination and to the natural resources of their Territory, as well as their right to dispose of those resources in their best interests;

3. *Urges* the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to implement fully General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and other relevant resolutions;

4. *Recommends* that the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned should study, within the scope of their activities and in co-operation with the regional organization concerned and through it, the possibilities of extending assistance to meet the educational, technical and health requirements of the people of the Territory;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to intensify, 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, the wide dissemination of information about conditions in the Territory;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee to follow closely developments regarding the colonial situation in the Territory and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.

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2703 (XXV). Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa",

Having examined the report 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 relating to this question,¹⁶

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, in particular the eighth preambular paragraph thereof, and its resolution 2425 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968,

Recalling further the relevant provisions of its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970 containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

Convinced that any economic or other activity which impedes the implementation of resolution 1514 (XV) and obstructs efforts aimed at the elimination of colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa and other colonial Territories violates the political, economic and social rights and interests of the people in those Territories and is therefore incompatible with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling that the administering Powers have the obligation to ensure the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the Territories under their administration and to protect the population and the natural resources of those Territories against abuses, in accordance with Chapters XI and XII of the Charter,

1. *Approves* the report 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 relating to this question;

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the peoples of dependent Territories to self-determination and independence and to the natural resources of their Territories, as well as their right to dispose of those resources in their best interests;

3. *Affirms* that foreign economic, financial and other interests operating in colonial Territories constitute a major obstacle to political independence as well as to

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 23A (A/8023/Rev.1/Add.1).