

any form of political association which would involve annexation of the Trust Territories in any sense, or would have the effect of extinguishing their status as Trust Territories, and affirmed the view that measures of customs, fiscal or administrative union must not in any way hamper the free evolution of each Trust Territory toward self-government or independence,

Recalling its resolution 563 (VI) of 18 January 1952, requesting the Trusteeship Council to submit to it, at its seventh session, a special report containing a complete analysis of each of the administrative unions to which a Trust Territory is a party, and of the status of the Cameroons and Togoland under French administration arising out of their membership in the French Union,

Recalling the studies⁶ on administrative unions undertaken by the Trusteeship Council in 1949 and 1950, and in particular the important analysis of administrative unions contained in resolution 293 (VII) adopted by the Council on 17 July 1950,

Recalling the regular annual reports adopted by the Trusteeship Council in 1951 and 1952 on each of the Trust Territories participating in an administrative union,

1. *Takes note* of the special report⁷ submitted by the Trusteeship Council in compliance with General Assembly resolution 563 (VI), and the observations⁸ made thereon by the General Assembly Committee on Administrative Unions;

2. *Calls* to the attention of the Administering Authorities the observations and conclusions contained in the special report of the Trusteeship Council and the observations of the General Assembly Committee on Administrative Unions;

3. *Requests* the Administering Authorities to continue to transmit promptly to the Trusteeship Council information as complete as possible concerning the operation of the administrative unions affecting Trust Territories under their administration, indicating the benefits and advantages derived by the inhabitants of the Trust Territories from administrative unions;

4. *Expresses the hope* that the Administering Authorities concerned will take into account the freely expressed wishes of the inhabitants before establishing or extending the scope of administrative unions;

5. *Expresses the hope* that the Administering Authorities concerned will consult with the Trusteeship Council concerning any change in or extension of existing administrative unions, or concerning any proposal to establish new administrative unions;

6. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council to continue its regular examination of each administrative union affecting a Trust Territory, and to study these administrative unions, not only with regard to the four safeguards enumerated in Trusteeship Council resolution 293 (VII), but also with regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the Territory and the terms of the

⁶ See *Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Fifth Session, Annex, agenda item 10, p. 255 and Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifth Session, Supplement No. 4, annex.*

⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventh Session, Supplement No. 12.*

⁸ See document A/2217.

Charter and the Trusteeship Agreements, as well as any other matters which the Council may deem appropriate.

409th plenary meeting,
20 December 1952.

650 (VII). Cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the importance of the question of cessation of the transmission of information and the information⁹ supplied on that subject by the Netherlands Government, and in view of the short time remaining for the conclusion of the work of the seventh session,

Decides that the Committee set up¹⁰ to study the factors which should be taken into account in deciding whether a Territory is or is not a Territory whose people have not yet attained a full measure of self-government, should examine carefully the documents submitted by the Netherlands Government relating to the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam in the light of the resolution on factors adopted by the General Assembly, and report to the Assembly at its next regular session.

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651 (VII). Question of South West Africa

The General Assembly

Decides to postpone consideration of the question of South West Africa until the eighth session of the General Assembly, and requests the *Ad Hoc* Committee on South West Africa, established by General Assembly resolution 570 A (VI) of 19 January 1952, to continue on the same basis as stated in that resolution and further requests the Committee to report to the General Assembly at its eighth session.

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20 December 1952.

652 (VII). The Ewe and Togoland unification problem

The General Assembly,

Having adopted at the sixth session resolution 555 (VI) on the Ewe and Togoland unification problem, which recommended, *inter alia*, that the Trusteeship Council arrange for the dispatch of either a special mission or its next periodic visiting mission to the two Trust Territories concerned to study thoroughly the Ewe and Togoland unification problem, including the functioning of the proposed Joint Council for

⁹ See document A/2177.

¹⁰ See resolution 648 (VII).