

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORTS OF THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE

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1014. (XI). Draft convention concerning a system of consultation

The General Assembly,

Noting the proposal of the Government of Argentina¹ for a draft convention to establish a system of consultation as part of the general United Nations system,

Believing that this proposal should be considered in the context of existing United Nations procedures and mechanisms for peaceful settlement, and of the relevant Charter provisions,

Recalling the decision taken by the General Assembly at its tenth session² to hold a General Conference to review the Charter at an appropriate time,

1. *Decides* to refer to Member States the proposal of the Government of Argentina and the records of the consideration of this proposal at the eleventh session of the General Assembly, to be considered during the review of peaceful settlement procedures and mechanisms at such a General Conference;

2. *Recommends* to the Governments of Member States that they transmit their views with respect to the proposal of the Government of Argentina to the Secretary-General prior to the convening of the General Conference.

*637th plenary meeting,
11 January 1957.*

1015 (XI). Treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 919 (X) of 14 December 1955,

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 64, document A/3201.*

² See General Assembly resolution 992 (X) of 21 November 1955.

Having considered the reports of the Governments of India³ and Pakistan,⁴

1. *Notes* that the Governments of both India and Pakistan have reiterated their readiness to pursue negotiations with the Government of the Union of South Africa, in accordance with the expressed desires of the United Nations;

2. *Notes with regret* that the Government of the Union of South Africa has not yet agreed to such negotiations;

3. *Urges* the parties concerned to enter into negotiations to facilitate a settlement of the problem of the treatment of people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa and, more particularly, appeals to the Government of the Union of South Africa to co-operate to this end;

4. *Recalls also* its resolution 926 (X) of 14 December 1955, which provides a unified programme under the name of "advisory services in the field of human rights";

5. *Invites* the parties to report as appropriate, jointly or separately, to the General Assembly.

*648th plenary meeting,
30 January 1957.*

1016 (XI). Question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of the Union of South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its previous resolutions on the question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of the Union of South Africa,

³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 24, document A/3186.*

⁴ *Ibid.*, document A/3188.

Recalling in particular paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 917 (X) of 6 December 1955 calling upon the Government of the Union of South Africa to observe its obligations under the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting that resolution 616 B (VII) of 5 December 1952 declared, *inter alia*, that governmental policies which are designed to perpetuate or increase discrimination are inconsistent with the Charter,

Further noting that resolutions 395 (V) of 2 December 1950, 511 (VI) of 12 January 1952 and 616 A (VII) of 5 December 1952 have successively affirmed that a policy of "racial segregation" (*apartheid*) is necessarily based on doctrines of racial discrimination,

Convinced that, in a multi-racial society, harmony and respect for human rights and freedoms and the peaceful development of a unified community are best assured when patterns of legislation and practices are directed towards ensuring a legal order that will ensure equality before the law and the elimination of discrimination between all persons regardless of race, creed or colour,

Convinced also that a conciliatory approach in accordance with the principles of the Charter is necessary for progress towards a solution of this problem,

1. *Deplors* that the Government of the Union of South Africa has not yet observed its obligations under the Charter and has pressed forward with discriminatory measures which would make the future observance of those obligations more difficult;

2. *Affirms its conviction* that perseverance in such discriminatory policies is inconsistent not only with the Charter but with the forces of progress and international co-operation in implementing the ideals of equality, freedom and justice;

3. *Calls upon* the Government of the Union of South Africa to reconsider its position and revise its policies in the light of its obligations and responsibilities under the Charter and in the light of the principles subscribed to and the progress achieved in other contemporary multi-racial societies;

4. *Invites* the Government of the Union of South Africa to co-operate in a constructive approach to this question, more particularly by its presence in the United Nations;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, as appropriate, to communicate with the Government of the Union of South Africa to carry forward the purposes of the present resolution.

*648th plenary meeting,
30 January 1957.*

1017 (XI). Admission of new Members to the United Nations⁵

A

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 296 G (IV) of 22 November 1949 finding the Republic of Korea qualified for membership in the United Nations,

Noting that the Republic of Korea has been excluded from membership in the United Nations because of the

⁵ See also resolutions 1110 (XI), 1111 (XI), 1112 (XI), 1113 (XI) and 1118 (XI).

opposition of one of the permanent members of the Security Council,

1. *Reaffirms its determination* that the Republic of Korea is fully qualified for admission to membership in the United Nations;

2. *Requests* the Security Council to reconsider the application of the Republic of Korea in the light of this determination and to report to the General Assembly as soon as possible.

*663rd plenary meeting,
28 February 1957.*

B

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 620 C (VII) of 21 December 1952 finding Viet-Nam qualified for membership in the United Nations,

Noting that Viet-Nam has been excluded from membership in the United Nations because of the opposition of one of the permanent members of the Security Council,

1. *Reaffirms its determination* that Viet-Nam is fully qualified for admission to membership in the United Nations;

2. *Requests* the Security Council to reconsider the application of Viet-Nam in the light of this determination and to report to the General Assembly as soon as possible.

*663rd plenary meeting,
28 February 1957.*

1018 (XI). Report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 194 (III) of 11 December 1948, 302 (IV) of 8 December 1949, 393 (V) of 2 December 1950, 513 (VI) of 26 January 1952, 614 (VII) of 6 November 1952, 720 (VIII) of 27 November 1953, 818 (IX) of 4 December 1954 and 916 (X) of 3 December 1955,

Noting the annual report⁶ and the special report⁷ of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and the report of the Advisory Commission of the Agency,⁸

Having reviewed the budget for relief and rehabilitation prepared by the Director of the Agency,

Noting with concern that contributions to that budget are not yet sufficient,

Noting that repatriation or compensation of the refugees, as provided for in paragraph 11 of resolution 194 (III), has not been effected, that no substantial progress has been made in the programme endorsed in paragraph 2 of resolution 513 (VI) for the reintegration of refugees and that, therefore, the situation of the refugees continues to be a matter of serious concern,

Noting that the host Governments have expressed the wish that the Agency continue to carry out its

⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 14, (A/3212).*

⁷ *Ibid., Supplement No. 14 A (A/3212/Add.1).*

⁸ *Ibid., Eleventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 23, document A/3498.*