

1. *Reiterates* its resolutions 65 (I) of 14 December 1946, 141 (II) of 1 November 1947, 227 (III) of 26 November 1948, 337 (IV) of 6 December 1949, 449 B (V) of 13 December 1950, 570 B (VI) of 19 January 1952, 749 B (VIII) of 28 November 1953, 852 (IX) of 23 November 1954 and 940 (X) of 3 December 1955, to the effect that the Territory of South West Africa be placed under the International Trusteeship System;

2. *Reasserts* that the normal way of modifying the international status of the Territory would be to place it under the International Trusteeship System by means of a trusteeship agreement in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XII of the Charter of the United Nations.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1056 (XI). Hearings of petitioners on conditions in the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having granted hearings to Mr. Mburumba Kerina Getzen, a petitioner from South West Africa, and the Reverend Michael Scott, a petitioner on behalf of African inhabitants of South West Africa,

1. *Takes note* of the statements of the petitioners on behalf of African inhabitants of the Territory of South West Africa under the administration of the Union of South Africa;

2. *Decides* to transmit to the Committee on South West Africa the statements of the petitioners for study and consideration.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1057 (XI). Petition and communications from Mr. Jacobus Beukes concerning the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having accepted the advisory opinion¹⁵ of 11 July 1950 of the International Court of Justice on the question of South West Africa,

Having authorized the Committee on South West Africa, by resolution 749 A (VIII) of 28 November 1953, to examine petitioners in accordance with the Mandates procedure of the League of Nations,

Having received a report from the Committee on South West Africa dealing with a petition and related communications dated 4 July, 1 August and 5 November 1955 from Mr. Jacobus Beukes, Burger Secretary of the Rehoboth Community of South West Africa,¹⁶

Noting that the petitioner raises questions on which the General Assembly has already taken action in resolution 935 (X) of 3 December 1955,

Noting that the petitioner raises a further question concerning the right of petition to the United Nations by the original citizens of the Rehoboth Community and by the "immigrant citizens" of that Community, and demands that the "citizenship" rights granted by the Rehoboth Community to certain immigrant inhabit-

ants be cancelled on the ground that they had improperly submitted to the United Nations a petition expressing views contrary to those held by the original inhabitants of the Rehoboth Community,

1. *Decides* to call the attention of the petition to its resolution 935 (X) of 3 December 1955;

2. *Further decides* to inform the petitioner that all inhabitants of the Mandated Territory, including the so-called immigrant members of the Rehoboth Community, have the right to submit petitions to the United Nations.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1058 (XI). Petition from Ukuanyama Tribal Congress concerning the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having accepted the advisory opinion¹⁵ of 11 July 1950 of the International Court of Justice on the question of South West Africa,

Having authorized the Committee on South West Africa, by resolution 749 A (VIII) of 28 November 1953, to examine petitions in accordance with the Mandates procedure of the League of Nations,

Having received a report from the Committee on South West Africa dealing with a petition dated 14 January 1956 from the Ukuanyama Tribal Congress, Ovamboland,¹⁷

Noting that the petitioners allege that, while the Reverend T. H. Hamtumbangela was petitioning on their behalf to the United Nations, the Minister of Native Affairs of the Union of South Africa ordered his removal from Ovamboland, and that headmen and sub-headmen who supported the Reverend Hamtumbangela were to be deposed,

Noting that the petitioners request that the case of the Reverend Hamtumbangela be brought before the International Court of Justice for its compulsory jurisdiction,

Noting further that the petitioners raise questions on which the General Assembly, in resolution 937 (X) of 3 December 1955 concerning a petition and a related communication from the Reverend Hamtumbangela, has already taken action,

1. *Decides* to inform the petitioners that it has at present insufficient information upon which to take any action with respect to their complaints concerning the alleged order for the removal of the Reverend T. H. Hamtumbangela from Ovamboland and the depositing of headmen and sub-headmen who supported him;

2. *Decides* to transmit to the petitioners resolution 937 (X) of 3 December 1955, and the reports of the Committee on South West Africa¹⁸ submitted to the General Assembly at its tenth and eleventh sessions containing the observations and recommendations of the Committee regarding other questions raised by the petitioners;

3. *Decides* to draw the attention of the petitioners, in particular, to the observations and recommendations

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, chapter V, section B, and annex IX.

¹⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/3151 and Corr.1), chapter V, section B, and annex VI.*

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, Tenth Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/2913), and *ibid.*, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/3151 and Corr.1).