

of the administration of these Territories when they emerge from trusteeship to independence,

Considering also that it is equally necessary and desirable that, before the accession of Trust Territories to independence, positions of high responsibility should be held by suitably trained indigenous persons so that the transfer of power from the Administering Authorities to the Administrations of the Territories upon the termination of trusteeship should take place smoothly without causing administrative dislocation,

Considering further that, while the Administering Authorities are becoming increasingly aware of the vital need of developing civil and technical cadres of indigenous persons and are taking steps to fulfil it, the measures adopted for the training of indigenous personnel in various fields of administration and for transferring positions of high responsibility to them are inadequate and need to be expanded and accelerated,

1. *Urges* the Administering Authorities to take expeditious measures on a planned basis aimed at the rapid development of indigenous civil and technical cadres and for the replacement of expatriate personnel by local officers;

2. *Draws the attention* of the Administering Authorities to the facilities provided by the United Nations under the programmes of technical assistance and public administration for training in administration and related functions, and requests them to make fuller use of these facilities;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the utilization by the Administering Authorities of the facilities for training offered by the United Nations in this field and to submit it to the Trusteeship Council at its twenty-sixth session.

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1413 (XIV). Attainment of self-government or independence by Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Considering that the basic objective of the International Trusteeship System under the Charter of the United Nations is the progressive development of the inhabitants of Trust Territories towards self-government or independence,

Recalling its resolutions 558 (VI) of 18 January 1952, 1064 (XI) of 26 February 1957, 1207 (XII) of 13 December 1957 and 1274 (XIII) of 5 December 1958,

Noting with satisfaction that the dates for the attainment of independence of Togoland under French administration, the Cameroons under French administration and Somaliland under Italian administration have already been set,

Noting further that the time-table proposed by the Administering Authority provides for the attainment of independence by Western Samoa under New Zealand administration in the course of 1961, and that processes leading to the termination of trusteeship over the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration in 1961 have already been set in motion,

Believing that the formulation of plans and targets in advance can assist in the acceleration of the progress of the inhabitants of Trust Territories towards independence,

Considering therefore that at this stage it is both necessary and desirable to foresee the course of developments leading to the attainment of independence by the Trust Territories of Tanganyika and Ruanda-Urundi in the near future,

Having examined part I, chapter V, of the report of the Trusteeship Council,¹⁸

1. *Requests* the Administering Authorities concerned to propose, after consultation with the representatives of the inhabitants, for the consideration of the General Assembly at its fifteenth session, time-tables and targets for the attainment of independence by the Trust Territories of Tanganyika and Ruanda-Urundi in the near future;

2. *Invites* the Administering Authorities concerned to formulate, in respect of the remaining Trust Territories, early successive intermediate targets and dates in the fields of political, economic, social and educational development so as to create, as soon as possible, favourable conditions for the attainment of self-government or independence;

3. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council, in its examination of the annual reports submitted by the Administering Authorities and in formulating the terms of reference of the 1960 visiting mission to Trust Territories in Africa, to keep in view the provisions of the present resolution.

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1414 (XIV). Study of opportunities for international co-operation on behalf of the former Trust Territories which have become independent

The General Assembly,

Noting that three Trust Territories—the Cameroons under French administration, Togoland under French administration and Somaliland under Italian administration—will attain independence during 1960 and that other Trust Territories will also attain independence during the following years,

Considering that the United Nations, under the Trusteeship System and in co-operation with the Administering Authorities, has contributed to ensuring this attainment of independence in the best possible circumstances,

Considering also that these countries, generally speaking, are under-developed, and that during the first years of their independence they will have to find speedy solutions to a considerable number of problems in the administrative, economic, social and educational fields,

Considering that it would be necessary and normal for the international community to continue to show special concern for the former Trust Territories and to be prepared to grant every possible assistance if those countries, having become independent and sovereign, should desire such assistance,

Considering that it would be appropriate to survey the various ways and means of providing international assistance,

1. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council to make a study, under Article 62, paragraph 1, of the Charter of the United Nations, of all opportunities for international co-operation which could be of interest to the

former Trust Territories which have become independent, within the spheres and in the framework of programmes of international assistance;

2. *Recommends* that the Economic and Social Council, in its study of this problem, should seek the co-operation of such international, governmental and non-governmental organizations as the Council may deem it advisable to approach;

3. *Recommends* that the Economic and Social Council should consult with the Governments of countries which were formerly under trusteeship and which have become independent, for the purpose of ascertaining their views with respect to these questions;

4. *Recommends* that the Economic and Social Council should report to the General Assembly, at its fifteenth session, concerning the results of this study and also concerning any conclusions and recommendations which it deems appropriate.

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1415 (XIV). Assistance to territories emerging from a trust status and to newly independent States

The General Assembly,

Welcoming the forthcoming independence of the Trust Territories of the Cameroons under French administration, Togoland under French administration and Somaliland under Italian administration during 1960,

Recalling the basic objectives of the Trusteeship System as set forth in Article 76 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing the many problems with which the emerging Trust Territories and newly independent States must inevitably be faced upon their attainment of independence, particularly in the economic and social fields,

Desiring that all possible aid in the field of technical assistance be available from the existing facilities in the United Nations and the specialized agencies to those emerging Trust Territories and newly independent States which might request it,

Invites the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the specialized agencies concerned to give urgent and sympathetic consideration, without prejudice in any way to present assistance being given to other States Members of the United Nations, to all requests which they might receive to provide Territories emerging from a trust status or newly independent States with:

(a) Such high-level technical experts as they might desire;

(b) All other forms of technical aid required by the special circumstances in which they have acceded to independence.

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1416 (XIV). Date of the independence of the Trust Territory of Togoland under French administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1253 (XIII) of 14 November 1958, by which it was decided, in agreement with the Administering Authority, that on the day which would be agreed upon between the Government of France and

the Government of Togoland and on which the Republic of Togoland is to become independent in 1960, the Trusteeship Agreement approved by the General Assembly on 13 December 1946 shall cease to be in force, in accordance with Article 76 b of the Charter of the United Nations,

Having considered the communication of 13 July 1959 sent to the Secretary-General by the representative of France to the Trusteeship Council,¹⁸ Trusteeship Council resolution 1950 (XXIV) of 14 July 1959, and the statements made at the 933rd and 935th meetings of the Fourth Committee on 30 October and 2 November 1959 by the representative of France and by the representative of Togoland, duly accredited as a member of the delegation of France,

1. *Notes* that the Governments of France and of Togoland have agreed that the date on which the Republic of Togoland shall become independent is to be 27 April 1960;

2. *Expresses its satisfaction* with the terms and spirit in which this agreement has been concluded;

3. *Reiterates its decision* that, on the date of the independence of Togoland, which has now been established as 27 April 1960, the Trusteeship Agreement for Togoland under French administration, approved by the General Assembly on 13 December 1946, shall cease to be in force;

4. *Recommends* that, upon the attainment of independence on 27 April 1960, Togoland shall be admitted to membership in the United Nations in accordance with Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations.

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1417 (XIV). Assistance to the Trust Territory of Togoland under French administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1254 (XIII) of 14 November 1958 relating to assistance to Togoland under French administration,

Considering that requests for assistance to Trust Territories deserve sympathetic consideration by the United Nations,

Considering further that Togoland under French administration is about to attain the objectives of the International Trusteeship System, and that 27 April 1960 has now been established as the date of the independence of the Republic of Togoland,¹⁹

Having considered part II, chapter VI, of the report of the Trusteeship Council¹⁸ in connexion with the development of Togoland under French administration and the assistance given to it by the Administering Authority and by agencies of the United Nations,

Having heard the statement made at the 935th meeting of the Fourth Committee on 2 November 1959 by the Minister of State of the Republic of Togoland as a member of the delegation of France,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the assistance given to this date to Togoland under French administration by agencies of the United Nations;

2. *Trusts* that the Administering Authority will continue to transmit without delay requests for assist-

¹⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fourteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 13, document A/4138.*

¹⁹ See resolution 1416 (XIV).