

3286 (XXIX). Question of Gibraltar

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Gibraltar,

Having examined the relevant 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,⁷

Having heard the relevant statements made in the Fourth Committee,⁸

1. *Regrets* that the negotiations referred to in paragraph 2 below have not yet been effectively started;

2. *Urges* the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Spain to begin without delay the negotiations envisaged under the terms of the consensus adopted by the General Assembly on 14 December 1973;⁹

3. *Requests* the two Governments to inform the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the General Assembly at its thirtieth session of the outcome of their negotiations.

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13 December 1974*

3287 (XXIX). Question of the Seychelles

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of the Seychelles,

Having examined the relevant chapters 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,¹⁰

Having heard the statement of the administering Power,¹¹

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration, as well as other resolutions and decisions of the United Nations relating to the Territory,

Noting the expressed desire of the Government of the Seychelles that the Territory should attain independence as soon as possible and the continued readiness of the administering Power to grant independence to the people of the Seychelles in accordance with their wishes,

Further noting that a constitutional conference with the full participation of both political parties in the Territory is to be held shortly in order to determine the modalities whereby the Seychelles are to proceed to independence,

⁷ *Ibid.*, chap. XIII.

⁸ *Ibid.*, Twenty-ninth Session, Fourth Committee, 2117th and 2124th meetings.

⁹ *Ibid.*, Twenty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/9030), p. 111.

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/9623/Rev.1), chaps. III and X.

¹¹ *Ibid.*, Twenty-ninth Session, Fourth Committee, 2116th meeting.

Bearing in mind the statement made by the Chief Minister of the Government of the Seychelles to the effect that every effort will be made to work as closely as possible with the opposition towards the task of national unification,¹²

Mindful also of the position of the Government of the Seychelles with regard to the territorial integrity of the Seychelles,

1. *Approves* the chapters 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 Seychelles;

2. *Notes with satisfaction* the expressed wish of the people of the Seychelles to achieve independence in accordance with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);

3. *Requests* the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to take all the necessary steps to facilitate the Territory's accession to independence as soon as possible in accordance with the expressed wish of the people of the Territory;

4. *Requests* the Government of the United Kingdom to continue to keep the United Nations fully apprised of developments relating to the Seychelles;

5. *Stresses* the responsibility of the United Nations to render all possible assistance to the people of the Seychelles in their efforts to achieve independence and, to that end, invites the specialized agencies and the institutions associated with the United Nations to work out concrete programmes of assistance to the Seychelles;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue its examination of the question, including the dispatch, as appropriate and in consultation with the administering Power, of a United Nations visiting mission to the Territory in connexion with the processes leading to the Territory's accession to independence, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session.

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3288 (XXIX). Question of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands,

Having examined the relevant chapters 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,¹³

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

¹² See A/AC.109/PV.974.

¹³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/9623/Rev.1), chaps. III and XXI.*