

"On behalf of the members of the Security Council, I congratulate the Federated States of Micronesia on the decision which the Council has adopted recommending to the General Assembly its admission to membership in the United Nations."

C. *Application of the Republic of the Marshall Islands*

Decisions

At its 3000th meeting, on 6 August 1991, the Council, following the adoption of its agenda, decided to refer the application of the Republic of the Marshall Islands²⁰⁶ to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for examination and report as provided in rule 59 of the provisional rules of procedure.

At its 3003rd meeting, on 9 August 1991, the Council discussed the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members²⁰⁷ concerning the application of the Marshall Islands for admission to membership in the United Nations.

Resolution 704 (1991) of 9 August 1991

The Security Council,

Having examined the application of the Republic of the Marshall Islands for admission to the United Nations,²⁰⁶

Recommends to the General Assembly that the Republic of the Marshall Islands be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

Adopted without a vote at the 3003rd meeting.

Decision

At the same meeting, following the adoption of Security Council resolution 704 (1991), the President of the Council made the following statement on behalf of the members:²⁰⁸

"The resolution which we have just adopted recommending the admission of the Republic of the Marshall Islands to membership in the United Nations is a historic event. It marks the final steps in the process leading to the full integration of the Republic of the Marshall Islands into the international community, a process that was given an impetus when the Security Council adopted resolution 683 (1990) on 22 December 1990, by which the Council declared that the trusteeship arrangement for the Marshall Islands had come to an end.

"The resolution which the Council has adopted reconfirms the full validity of the basic ideal of the universality of the United Nations, which calls upon all States - large and small - to help foster peaceful and orderly international coexistence.

"We can see today that as the United Nations gains in universality, the specific responsibilities of States are strengthened, as are their rights to participate in the decision-making process in areas of concern to the international community as a whole involving the maintenance of international peace and security and, above all, the promotion of cooperation among peoples.

"The admission of the Republic of the Marshall Islands to membership will serve to reaffirm the validity of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and to facilitate the achievement of its purposes.

"On behalf of the members of the Security Council, I congratulate the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the Council's decision to recommend to the General Assembly that it be admitted as a member of the United Nations."

D. *Applications of the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Latvia and the Republic of Lithuania*

Decisions

At its 3006th meeting, on 10 September 1991, the Council, following the adoption of its agenda, decided to refer the applications of the Republic of Estonia,²⁰⁹ the Republic of Latvia²¹⁰ and the Republic of Lithuania²¹¹ to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for examination and report, as provided in rule 59 of the provisional rules of procedure.

At its 3007th meeting, on 12 September 1991, the Council, discussed the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members²¹² concerning the applications of the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Latvia and the Republic of Lithuania for admission to membership in the United Nations.

Resolution 709 (1991) of 12 September 1991

The Security Council,

Having examined the application of the Republic of Estonia for admission to the United Nations,²⁰⁹

Recommends to the General Assembly that the Republic of Estonia be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

Adopted without a vote at the 3007th meeting.