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ERADICATION OF ILLITERACY IN NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES

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(adopted on the report of the Fourth Committee (A/1159))

The General Assembly,

Recognizing that one of the fundamental problems in Non-Self-Governing Territories is illiteracy,

Noting that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization has agreed to co-operate with the United Nations in giving effect to the principles and obligations set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter with regard to matters affecting the well-being and development of the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories,

Noting that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization's plans for an expanded programme of technical assistance to under-developed countries include the offer of advice and assistance on fundamental educational services generally, including the conducting of campaigns against illiteracy, the holding of seminars and experimental or demonstration projects in fundamental education,

Considering that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is a specialized agency qualified to study plans and to recommend the most appropriate action for the promotion, in collaboration with the Members concerned, of systematic campaigns against illiteracy,

1. Invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to communicate to the Administering Members full information on measures for suppressing illiteracy which could be applied with satisfactory results in Non-Self-Governing Territories, and to communicate annually to the United Nations an account of these measures and of the extent to which its services in campaigns against illiteracy have been provided for any of the Non-Self-Governing Territories at the request of the Members concerned;

2. Recommends that the Administering Members continue to co-operate with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, when and where appropriate, with a view to the practical achievement of the
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eradication of illiteracy in the Non-Self-Governing Territories;

3. Invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to take account in its studies of the experience of various States in this matter;

4. Invites the Secretary-General to collaborate with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in any necessary studies, taking as a basis the information transmitted under Article 73 e, together with any relevant supplemental information and any relevant studies undertaken by the Trusteeship Council with regard to Trust Territories.
