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### PETITIONS AND VISITING MISSIONS

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly at its  
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(adopted on the report of the Fourth Committee (A/1028))

The General Assembly,

Considering that the examination of petitions is one of the principal functions of the Trusteeship Council under the Charter and that the prompt and effective discharge of this function is indispensable for the realization of the objectives set forth in Article 76 b of the Charter and for the promotion of the confidence of the inhabitants of the Trust Territories in the International Trusteeship System,

Observing with particular interest the activities of the Trusteeship Council in sending visiting missions to the territories under trusteeship,

Recommends to the Trusteeship Council that it should:

1. Take such measures as it may deem appropriate with a view to facilitating and accelerating the examination and disposal of petitions;
2. Direct visiting missions to report fully on the steps taken towards the realization of the objectives set forth in Article 76 b of the Charter, under the headings of political, economic, social and educational advancement, and in particular on the steps taken toward self-government or independence.

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