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TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES*

(covering its work during 1990)

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

10 October 1990

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report to the General Assembly 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 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 44/101 of 11 December 1989. This report covers the work of the Special Committee during 1990.

(Signed) Tesfaye TADESSE
Chairman 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

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Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

CHAPTER I

ESTABLISHMENT, ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Establishment of the Special Committee

1. The Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples was established by the General Assembly pursuant to its resolution 1654 (XVI) of 27 November 1961. The Committee was requested to examine the application of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, and to make suggestions and recommendations on the progress and extent of the implementation of the Declaration.
2. At its seventeenth session, after considering the report of the Special Committee, 1/ the General Assembly adopted resolution 1810 (XVII) of 17 December 1962, by which it enlarged the Special Committee with the addition of seven new members. It invited the Committee "to continue to seek the most suitable ways and means for the speedy and total application of the Declaration to all Territories which have not yet attained independence".
3. At the same session, by its resolution 1805 (XVII) of 14 December 1962 on the question of South West Africa, the General Assembly requested the Special Committee to discharge, mutatis mutandis, the tasks assigned to the Special Committee for South West Africa by resolution 1702 (XVI) of 19 December 1961. By its resolution 1806 (XVII) of 14 December 1962, the Assembly decided to dissolve the Special Committee for South West Africa.
4. By resolution 1970 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963, adopted at its eighteenth session, the General Assembly decided to dissolve the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories and requested the Special Committee to study the information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations. It also requested the Committee to take that information fully into account in examining the situation with regard to the implementation of the Declaration in each of the Non-Self-Governing Territories and to undertake any special study and prepare any special report it might consider necessary.
5. At the same session and at each subsequent session, the General Assembly, after considering the report of the Special Committee, 2/ has adopted a resolution renewing the mandate of the Committee.
6. On the occasion of the tenth, twentieth and twenty-fifth anniversaries of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, the General Assembly, by approving the related reports of the Special Committee, adopted resolutions 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, 35/118 of 11 December 1980 and 40/56 of 2 December 1985, containing a series of recommendations with a view to facilitating the speedy implementation of the Declaration.
7. At its forty-fourth session, after considering the report of the Special Committee, 3/ the General Assembly adopted resolution 44/101 of 11 December 1989, by which it, inter alia:

"5. Approves 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 covering the work during 1989, including the programme of work envisaged for 1990; 4/

"...

"11. Requests the Special Committee to continue to seek suitable means for the immediate and full implementation of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) in all Territories that have not yet attained independence and, in particular:

"(a) To formulate specific proposals for the elimination of the remaining manifestations of colonialism and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session;

"(b) To make concrete suggestions which could assist the Security Council in considering appropriate measures under the Charter with regard to developments in colonial Territories that are likely to threaten international peace and security;

"(c) To continue to examine the compliance of Member States with resolution 1514 (XV) and other relevant resolutions on decolonization;

"(d) To continue to pay special attention to the small Territories, in particular through the dispatch of visiting missions to those Territories whenever the Special Committee deems it appropriate, and to recommend to the General Assembly the most suitable steps to be taken to enable the populations of those Territories to exercise their right to self-determination and independence;

"(e) To take all necessary steps to enlist world-wide support among Governments, as well as national and international organizations having a special interest in decolonization, for the achievement of the objectives of the Declaration and the implementation of the relevant resolutions of the United Nations;

"12. Calls upon the administering Powers to continue to co-operate with the Special Committee in the discharge of its mandate and to permit the access of visiting missions to the Territories to secure first-hand information and ascertain the wishes and aspirations of their inhabitants and urges, in particular, those administering Powers which do not participate in the work of the Special Committee to do so at its 1990 session;"

8. At the same session, the General Assembly, on the basis of the recommendation of the Special Committee, adopted resolution 44/100 of 11 December 1989, the annex to which contains the Programme of Activities in Observance of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples. The operative paragraphs of the resolution read as follows:

"1. Approves 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 5/ and endorses the Programme of Activities in Observance of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples set out in the annex to the present resolution;

"2. Commends the Programme, for appropriate action, to all States, the United Nations bodies concerned, the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and the non-governmental organizations active in the field of decolonization;

"3. Requests the Secretary-General to assist in the implementation of the present resolution and, in particular, to make adequate resources available for undertaking the measures envisaged in the Programme;

"4. Requests the Special Committee to follow closely the implementation of the Programme and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution."

9. At the same session, the General Assembly also adopted 18 other resolutions, 2 consensuses and 5 decisions relating to specific Territories or other items on the agenda of the Special Committee, as well as a number of other resolutions relevant to the work of the Committee, by which the Assembly entrusted the Committee with specific tasks in relation to these Territories and items. These decisions are listed below.

1. Resolutions, consensuses and decisions concerning specific Territories

<u>Resolutions</u>		
<u>Territory</u>	<u>Resolution No.</u>	<u>Date of adoption</u>
Western Sahara	44/88	11 December 1989
New Caledonia	44/89	11 December 1989
Tokelau	44/90	11 December 1989
Cayman Islands	44/91	11 December 1989
Bermuda	44/92	11 December 1989
Turks and Caicos Islands	44/93	11 December 1989
Anguilla	44/94	11 December 1989
British Virgin Islands	44/95	11 December 1989
Montserrat	44/96	11 December 1989
American Samoa	44/97	11 December 1989
Guam	44/98	11 December 1989
United States Virgin Islands	44/99	11 December 1989

Consensuses

<u>Territory</u>	<u>Decision No.</u>	<u>Date of adoption</u>
Gibraltar	44/426	11 December 1989
Pitcairn	44/427	11 December 1989

Decisions

<u>Territory</u>	<u>Decision No.</u>	<u>Date of adoption</u>
East Timor	44/402	22 September 1989
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	44/406	1 November 1989
St. Helena	44/428	11 December 1989

2. Resolutions concerning other items

<u>Item</u>	<u>Resolution No.</u>	<u>Date of adoption</u>
Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 <u>e</u> of the Charter of the United Nations	44/83	11 December 1989
Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, <u>apartheid</u> and racial discrimination in southern Africa	44/84	11 December 1989
Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations	44/85	11 December 1989
United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa	44/86	11 December 1989
Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories	44/87	11 December 1989
Dissemination of information on decolonization	44/102	11 December 1989

3. Decisions concerning other questions

<u>Question</u>	<u>Decision No.</u>	<u>Date of adoption</u>
Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration which might be impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples	44/425	11 December 1989
International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism	44/429	11 December 1989

10. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 23 September 1989, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, 6/ decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fifth session the item entitled "Question of East Timor".

4. Other resolutions and decisions relevant to the work of the Special Committee

11. Other resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session which were relevant to the work of the Special Committee and which were taken into consideration by the Special Committee are listed in a note by the Secretary-General on the Committee's organization of work (A/AC.109/L.1717).

12. Prior to the adoption of General Assembly resolution 44/100 relating to the Programme of Activities in Observance of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Declaration, Assembly resolution 44/101, by which it approved the proposals contained in the report of the Special Committee regarding the Committee's proposed programme of work for 1990, and its resolution 44/102 of 11 December 1989 concerning the dissemination of information on decolonization, the Assembly had before it the report of the Fifth Committee on the programme budget implications of the recommendations contained in the draft resolutions. 7/ Consideration of this matter by the Fifth Committee was based on the related statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/44/46) and the oral statement by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (see A/C.5/44/SR.54).

5. Membership of the Special Committee

13. As at 1 January 1990, the Special Committee was composed of the following 24 members:

Afghanistan	Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Bulgaria	Iraq
Chile	Mali
China	Norway
Congo	Sierra Leone
Côte d'Ivoire	Syrian Arab Republic
Cuba	Trinidad and Tobago
Czechoslovakia	Tunisia
Ethiopia	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Fiji	United Republic of Tanzania
India	Venezuela
Indonesia	Yugoslavia

A list of representatives who attended the meetings of the Special Committee in 1990 appears in documents A/AC.109/INF/28 and Add.1.

B. Opening of the Special Committee's meetings in 1990 and election of officers

14. The Secretary-General addressed the Special Committee at its opening (1362nd) meeting, held on 22 January 1990. The Chairman made a statement at the same meeting (A/AC.109/PV.1362).

15. Also at the same meeting, the Special Committee unanimously elected the following officers:

Chairman: Mr. Tesfaye Tadesse (Ethiopia)

Vice-Chairmen: Mr. Ricardo Alarcón de Quesada (Cuba)
Mr. Sverre J. Bergh Johansen (Norway)
Mr. Alexander Slabý (Czechoslovakia)

Rapporteur: Mr. Mohammad Najdat Shaheed (Syrian Arab Republic)

C. Organization of work

16. At its 1362nd meeting, on 22 January, by adopting the suggestions relating to the organization of its work put forward by the Chairman (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to maintain its Working Group, which would continue to function as a steering committee, its Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance and its Sub-Committee on Small Territories.

17. By adopting the Chairman's suggestions referred to above, the Special Committee also requested its subsidiary bodies to meet as soon as possible to organize their respective programmes of work for the year and, in addition to considering the items indicated in paragraph 18, to carry out the specific tasks assigned to the Committee by the General Assembly concerning the items referred to them.

18. The Special Committee further decided to adopt the suggestions of the Chairman relating to the allocation of items and the procedure for their consideration (A/AC.109/L.1718, paras. 2 and 3).

19. Statements relating to the organization of work were made at the 1362nd meeting, on 22 January, by the Chairman and by the representatives of Indonesia, Portugal, Norway, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Tunisia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Ethiopia and Iraq (A/AC.109/PV.1362); at the 1363rd meeting, on 1 August, by the Chairman and by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic (A/AC.109/PV.1363); at the 1368th meeting, on 9 August, by the Chairman (A/AC.109/PV.1368); at the 1369th meeting, on 13 August, by the Chairman and by the representatives of Chile, Côte d'Ivoire and Cuba (A/AC.109/PV.1369); at the 1372nd meeting, on 15 August, by the Chairman and by the representatives of Cuba, the Syrian Arab Republic, Venezuela and Trinidad and Tobago (A/AC.109/PV.1372); at the 1373rd meeting, on 15 August, by the Chairman and by the representative of Sierra Leone (A/AC.109/PV.1373); at the 1374th meeting, on 16 August, by the Chairman (A/AC.109/PV.1374); at the 1375th meeting, on 17 August, by the Chairman and by the representatives of Norway and Cuba (A/AC.109/PV.1375); and at the 1376th meeting, on 20 August, by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Norway (A/AC.109/PV.1376).

20. At its 1376th meeting, on 20 August, on the basis of the recommendations contained in the 97th report of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748), the Special Committee took further decisions relating to its organization of work.

Representation of the Special Committee

21. The Special Committee was represented at the following conferences and meetings:

(a) United Nations Latin American and Caribbean regional seminar and non-governmental organization symposium on "The inalienable rights of the Palestinian people", organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and held at Buenos Aires in February 1990 (see para. 93);

(b) The session of the World Peace Council, held at Athens in February (see para. 102);

(c) The fifty-third ordinary session of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Co-ordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa, held at Cairo in February (see para. 100);

(d) The fifty-first ordinary session of the Council of Ministers of OAU, held at Addis Ababa in February (see para. 99);

(e) A solemn meeting of the Special Committee against Apartheid in observance of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, held in New York in March (see para. 91);

(f) The Namibian independence celebrations, held at Windhoek in March (see para. 103);

(g) The United Nations African regional seminar and non-governmental organization symposium on "The inalienable rights of the Palestinian people", organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and held at Freetown in April (see para. 93);

(h) The International Scientific Conference on Africa in World History, organized by the Soviet Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee and held at Moscow, in May (see para. 102);

(i) United Nations North American regional seminar on "Peace and justice for the Palestinian people - an imperative for the 1990s" and a North American regional non-governmental organization symposium on "The question of Palestine", both organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and held in New York in June (see para. 93);

(j) The fifty-second ordinary session of the Council of Ministers of OAU, held at Addis Ababa in July (see para. 98);

(k) The twenty-sixth ordinary session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of OAU, held at Addis Ababa in July (see para. 98);

(l) The third Conference of Ministers of Information of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Havana in September (see para. 96).

D. Meetings of the Special Committee and its subsidiary bodies

22. In keeping with its resolve to continue taking all possible measures to rationalize the organization of its work, and with the full and close co-operation of its entire membership, the Special Committee and its subsidiary bodies were again able to reduce to a minimum the number of their formal meetings, as indicated below, by holding whenever possible informal meetings and extensive consultations through Committee officers.

1. Special Committee

23. The Special Committee held 15 meetings at Headquarters during 1990, as follows:

First part of the session:

1362nd meeting, on 22 January;

Second part of the session:

1363rd to 1376th meetings, from 1 to 20 August.

24. During the session, the Special Committee considered in plenary meetings the following questions and adopted decisions thereon, as indicated below:

<u>Question</u>	<u>Meetings</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations	1365	A/45/23 (Part V), chap. VIII, para. 8
Question of sending visiting missions to Territories	1365	A/45/23 (Part III), chap. IV, para. 11
Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations	1365, 1366, 1376	A/45/23 (Part V), chap. VII, para. 17
Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, <u>apartheid</u> and racial discrimination in southern Africa	1365, 1366, 1376	A/45/23 (Part IV), chap. V, para. 10
Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration which might be impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples	1365, 1366, 1376	A/45/23 (Part IV), chap. VI, para. 10
East Timor	1367, 1368	A/45/23 (Part VI), chap. IX, para. 13
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	1368-1370	A/45/23 (Part VII), chap. X, para. 14
New Caledonia	1369	A/45/23 (Part VI), chap. IX, para. 23
Special Committee decision of 17 August 1989 concerning Puerto Rico	1370-1373	A/45/23 (Part I), chap. I, para. 49
American Samoa, Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guam, Montserrat, Tokelau, Turks and Caicos Islands and United States Virgin Islands	1371, 1376	A/45/23 (Part VI), chap. IX, para. 113
Gibraltar	1376	A/45/23 (Part VI), chap. IX, para. 16
Western Sahara	1376	A/45/23 (Part VI), chap. IX, para. 29

25. The Special Committee considered the items allocated to its subsidiary bodies on the basis of the reports of the respective bodies (see paras. 27, 31 and 36) and adopted decisions as indicated below.

2. Working Group

26. At its 1362nd meeting, the Special Committee decided to maintain its Working Group. It was further decided at the same meeting that the composition of the Working Group would be as follows: Congo, Fiji and Iran (Islamic Republic of), together with the five officers of the Committee, namely, the Chairman (Ethiopia), the three Vice-Chairmen (Cuba, Norway and Czechoslovakia) and the Rapporteur (Syrian Arab Republic), as well as the Chairman (Tunisia) and the Rapporteur (Norway) of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories.

27. During the period covered by the present report, the Working Group held one meeting, as well as a number of unofficial meetings, and submitted a report (A/AC.109/L.1748).

3. Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance

28. Also at its 1362nd meeting, the Special Committee decided to maintain its Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance.

29. At the same meeting, the Special Committee decided that the membership of the Sub-Committee should be as follows:

Afghanistan	Iraq
Bulgaria	Mali
Congo	Sierra Leone
Cuba	Syrian Arab Republic
Czechoslovakia	Tunisia
Indonesia	United Republic of Tanzania
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	

30. At the same meeting, the Special Committee elected Mr. Alexander Slaby (Czechoslovakia) as Chairman of the Sub-Committee.

31. The Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance held 12 meetings, as well as a number of unofficial meetings, between 23 March and 29 June. It submitted the following seven reports to the Special Committee which considered them on the dates indicated:

(a) Report on its organization of work (A/AC.109/L.1719);

(b) Report on the Week of Solidarity (A/AC.109/L.1720 - 15 May) (see para. 70);

(c) Four reports on the question of dissemination of information on decolonization (A/AC.109/L.1721, L.1723-L.1725) - 2 August, 1364th meeting;

(d) Report on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the

international institutions associated with the United Nations (A/AC.109/L.1722) - 6 and 20 August, 1365th and 1376th meetings, respectively.

32. An account of the Special Committee's consideration of the above-mentioned reports is set out in chapters III (A/45/23 (Part III)) and VII (A/45/23 (Part V)), respectively, of the present report.

4. Sub-Committee on Small Territories

33. At its 1362nd meeting, the Special Committee decided to maintain its Sub-Committee on Small Territories.

34. At the same meeting, the Special Committee decided that the membership of the Sub-Committee should be as follows:

Afghanistan	Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Bulgaria	Iraq
Chile	Mali
Côte d'Ivoire	Norway
Cuba	Trinidad and Tobago
Czechoslovakia	Tunisia
Ethiopia	United Republic of Tanzania
Fiji	Venezuela
India	Yugoslavia
Indonesia	

35. Also at its 1362nd meeting, the Special Committee elected Mr. Ghazi Jomaa (Tunisia) Chairman of the Sub-Committee and Mr. Dag Mjåland (Norway) Rapporteur.

36. The Sub-Committee on Small Territories held 20 meetings, as well as a number of unofficial meetings, between 8 February and 15 June, and submitted reports on the following items referred to it for consideration, which were subsequently considered by the Special Committee at the meetings as indicated: Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Montserrat, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Turks and Caicos Islands, Tokelau, American Samoa, Guam, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands and United States Virgin Islands, at its 1363rd meeting; and Guam at its 1363rd and 1364th meetings.

37. An account of the Special Committee's consideration of the reports of the Sub-Committee relating to the above-mentioned Territories is contained in chapter IX of the present report (A/45/23 (Part VI)).

E. Question of the list of Territories to which the Declaration is applicable

38. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to allocate the question of the list of Territories to which the Declaration is applicable to the Working Group as appropriate. In taking that decision, the Committee recalled that, in its report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session, 8/ it had stated that, subject to any directives that the Assembly might wish to give in that connection, it would

continue, as part of its programme of work for 1990, to review the list of Territories to which the Declaration applied. The Committee further recalled that, by paragraph 5 of resolution 44/101, the Assembly had approved the report of the Committee, including the programme of work envisaged by the Committee for 1990.

39. At its 1376th meeting, the Special Committee considered the question on the basis of the recommendations contained in the 97th report of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748). The relevant paragraph of that report reads as follows:

"11. The Working Group decided to recommend that the Special Committee should continue consideration of this question at its next session, subject to any directives which the General Assembly might give at its forty-fifth session."

40. At the same meeting, the Special Committee approved without objection the above-mentioned recommendations.

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Puerto Rico 9/

41. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to take up separately an item entitled "Special Committee decision of 17 August 1989 concerning Puerto Rico" and to consider it at its plenary meetings.

42. The Special Committee considered the item at its 1370th to 1373rd meetings, on 14 and 15 August.

43. At the 1370th meeting, the Chairman drew attention to the report of the Rapporteur (A/AC.109/L.1746).

44. At the 1370th, 1371st and 1372nd meetings, the Chairman drew attention to a number of communications received from organizations expressing the wish to be heard by the Special Committee in connection with its consideration of the item. The Committee agreed to accede to those requests and heard the representatives of the organizations concerned as indicated below:

<u>Representatives of organizations</u>	<u>Meeting</u>
Ms. Nora L. Rodriguez Matias, Colegio de Abogados de Puerto Rico	1370th
Ms. Marie Elaine Aloise de Hernandez, Comité Cagueño Pro-Estadidad	1370th
Mr. Fernando Martin García, Partido Independentista Puertorriqueño	1370th
Mr. Carlos Gallisá, Partido Socialista Puertorriqueño (PSP)	1370th
Mr. Carlos Vizcarrondo Irizarry, Pro-Estado Libre Asociado (PROELA)	1370th
Mr. Michael E. Deutsch, National Lawyers Guild	1370th
Mrs. Conchita Rinaldi de Soltero, on behalf of Respetable Logia Femenina Julia de Burgos	1370th

<u>Representatives of organizations</u>	<u>Meeting</u>
Mr. José Milton Soltero, on behalf of Comité de Puerto Rico en la Naciones Unidas	1370th
Rev. Hector Soto Vélez, Movimiento Ecuménico Nacional de Puerto Rico	1370th
Mr. Juan Manuel Delgado, Comité anti Plebiscito (CAP)	1370th
Mrs. Zaida Hernández Torres, on behalf of Partido Nuevo Progresista	1371st
Mr. Olaguibeet A. López-Pacheco, Supremo Consejo del Grado 33 Puerto Rico, Inc.	1371st
Mr. Rafael Soltero Peralta, Gran Logia Nacional de Puerto Rico	1371st
Mr. Pablo Marcono-García, on behalf of Comité Unitario Contra la Represión y por la Defensa de los Presos Políticos (CUCRE)	1371st
Mrs. Awilda Palau, Comité Puertorriqueño de Intelectuales and Comité Puertorriqueño de Reafirmación del Idioma Español	1371st
Mr. J. A. González-González, on behalf of Fundación Andres Figueroa Cordero, Inc.	1371st
Mr. Luis Nieves Falcón, on behalf of the International League for the Rights and Liberation of Peoples	1371st
Mr. Luis Amauri Suarez Zayas, Comité de Organizaciones Sindicales	1371st
Mr. Filiberto Ojeda Ríos, Ejercito Popular Boricua	1371st
Mr. Yamil Mislá, Congreso Puertorriqueño de Naciones Unidas, Inc.	1371st
Mrs. Dora García, on behalf of the National Committee to Free Puerto Rican Prisoners of War	1371st
Mrs. Paquita Pesquera, on behalf of Asociación Puertorriqueña de Profesores Universitarios	1371st
Ms. Rosa Meneses, on behalf of Partido Nacionalista de Puerto Rico	1371st
Mr. Alexis Massol González, Taller de Arte y Cultura Adjuntas and Centro Cultural de Adjuntas	1372nd
Mr. Eligio González Castro, the Liberty Council and on behalf of Movimiento Albizuista Nacionalista	1372nd
Ms. Linda Backiel, on behalf of the Center for Constitutional Rights	1372nd
Mr. Carlos Quirós Mendez, on behalf of Comité Timón Pro-Frente Socialista Contra el Plebiscito	1372nd
Mrs. Gloria Arjona, Instituto de Libre Enseñanza	1372nd

Representatives of organizations

Meeting

Mr. Juan Mari Bras, on behalf of Causa Comun Independentista	1372nd
Ms. Selva Nebbia, on behalf of the Socialist Workers Party	1372nd
Mr. Erasto Zayas Nuñez, Gran Oriente Interamericano de Puerto Rico	1372nd
Mr. Manuel de J. Feliciano, Gran Oriente Nacional de Puerto Rico	1372nd
Mrs. Elsie Valdés, Puertorriqueños Pro-Estadidad, Inc.	1372nd
Mr. Freddy Vélez García, Centro de Estudios Estadistas	1372nd
Mr. Juan C. Lizardi, Juventud Estadista no Partidista	1372nd
Mr. José Manuel Torres Santiago, Comité Pedro Albizu Campos	1372nd
Mrs. Lydia Ponce Morán, Puertorriqueños Pro-Estadidad de Vega Baja	1372nd
Mr. Agustin Laó, Instituto de Derechos Humanos de Puerto Rico	1372nd
Mr. Richard J. Harvey, International Association of Democratic Lawyers	1373rd
Mr. Christopher E. Henry, the Brehon Law Society	1373rd

45. At the 1372nd meeting, the Chairman drew attention to a draft resolution submitted by Venezuela (A/AC.109/L.1747).

46. At the 1373rd meeting, the representative of Venezuela, in the course of his statement, introduced draft resolution A/AC.109/L.1747 (A/AC.109/PV.1373).

47. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Syrian Arab Republic (A/AC.109/PV.1373).

48. Also at the same meeting, following statements by the representatives of Norway, Chile and Czechoslovakia (A/AC.109/PV.1373), the Special Committee adopted draft resolution A/AC.109/L.1747 by a vote of 8 to 1, with 12 abstentions (see para. 49).

49. The text of the resolution (A/AC.109/1051) adopted by the Special Committee at its 1373rd meeting, on 15 August 1990, to which reference is made in paragraph 48, is reproduced below:

The Special Committee,

Recalling the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, and the resolutions and decisions of the Special Committee concerning Puerto Rico,

Having examined the report of the Rapporteur of the Special Committee on the implementation of the resolutions concerning Puerto Rico, 10/

Having heard statements and testimony representative of various viewpoints among the people of Puerto Rico and their social institutions,

Bearing in mind the agreement of the Puerto Rican political leadership to request the President of the United States of America and the United States Congress to adopt legislation with a view to consulting the people of Puerto Rico so that they may express themselves freely, voluntarily and democratically on their political future,

Also bearing in mind that the United States Congress is initiating a legislative process, with the participation of the main political parties of Puerto Rico, with a view to facilitating consultations with the people of Puerto Rico on their political future but that so far no law has been adopted in this respect,

Aware of the appeal made by the President of the United States of America, Mr. George Bush, to the Congress that it take the necessary steps to allow the people of Puerto Rico to reach a decision through a referendum,

1. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the people of Puerto Rico to self-determination and independence, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV), and the applicability of the fundamental principles of that resolution with respect to Puerto Rico;

2. Expresses its hope, and that of the international community, that, in accordance with the best interests of the people of Puerto Rico, the dialogue should continue and that legal measures should be adopted which will bring to a successful conclusion, as soon as possible, a process leading to the self-determination of the Puerto Rican people;

3. Exhorts all the interested parties to co-operate so that the people of Puerto Rico may exercise without hindrance their right to self-determination with the express recognition of the people's sovereignty and full political equality, in conformity with the doctrine and practice of the United Nations;

4. Requests the Rapporteur to report to the Special Committee on the implementation of its resolutions concerning Puerto Rico;

5. Decides to keep the question of Puerto Rico under continuing review.

50. On 24 August, the text of the resolution was transmitted to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for the attention of his Government.

F. Consideration of other matters

1. Matters relating to the small Territories

51. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to include in its agenda for the current session an item entitled "Matters relating to the small Territories" and to consider it at its plenary meetings and at meetings of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories, as appropriate.

52. In taking these decisions, the Special Committee took into account the provisions of the relevant General Assembly resolutions, including resolution 44/101 by paragraph 11 (d) of which the Assembly requested the Committee "to continue to pay special attention to the small Territories, in particular through the dispatch of visiting missions to those Territories whenever the Special Committee deems it appropriate, and to recommend to the General Assembly the most suitable steps to be taken to enable the populations of those Territories to exercise their right to self-determination and independence".

53. During the year, the Special Committee and its Sub-Committee on Small Territories gave extensive consideration to all phases of the situation obtaining in the small Territories (see chaps. IX and X of the present report, A/45/23 (Parts VI and VII)).

2. Compliance of Member States with the Declaration and other relevant resolutions on the question of decolonization

54. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to request the bodies concerned to take the above item into consideration in the discharge of the tasks entrusted to them by the Committee.

55. The subsidiary bodies accordingly took that decision into account in examining the items referred to them for consideration. The Special Committee also took that decision into account in its consideration of specific items in plenary meetings.

3. Question of holding a series of meetings away from Headquarters

56. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to take up the question of holding a series of meetings away from Headquarters as appropriate and to refer it to its Working Group for consideration and recommendations.

57. Having regard to its programme of work for 1991, the Special Committee, at its 1376th meeting, considered the question of holding meetings away from Headquarters, taking into account the provisions of paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI) of 27 November 1961 and paragraph 3 (9) of resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, by which the Assembly authorized the Committee to meet elsewhere

than at United Nations Headquarters whenever and wherever such meetings might be required for the effective discharge of its functions. Also at its 1376th meeting, by approving the recommendations contained in the 97th report of its Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748), the Committee decided, inter alia, to include in the appropriate section of its report to the Assembly a statement to the effect that it might consider accepting, subject to the availability of the requisite conference services and facilities, such invitations as might be received in that connection in 1991 and that, when particulars of such meetings became known, it would request the Secretary-General to seek the necessary budgetary provision in accordance with established procedure.

4. Pattern of conferences

58. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, inter alia, to take up as appropriate an item entitled "Pattern of conferences" and to refer it to its Working Group for consideration and recommendations. In so doing, the Committee was conscious of the fact that it had initiated some important measures in rationalizing its work methods, many of which were subsequently incorporated in a number of resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly. Further recalling the measures it had taken heretofore in that connection, the Committee decided to continue to exercise its initiatives in the effective utilization of the limited conference resources and the further reduction of its documentation requirements.

59. During the year, the Committee also continued the practice of circulating communications and information material, as far as possible, in the form of informal notes and aides-mémoire in the original language of submission, thus curtailing documentation requirements by some 4,000 pages and accruing considerable savings for the Organization. A list of the official documents issued by the Committee during 1990 is contained in the annex to the present chapter.

60. At its 1376th meeting, the Special Committee considered the item on the basis of the recommendations contained in the 97th report of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748). The relevant paragraphs of that report read as follows:

"5. The Working Group noted that during the year the Special Committee had closely followed the guidelines set forth in the resolutions of the General Assembly on the pattern of conferences, in particular resolution 43/222 of 21 December 1988. By organizing its programme of work accordingly and by holding extensive consultations and working in informal sessions, the Committee had been able to curtail the number of its formal meetings considerably.*

"6. The Working Group decided to recommend that the Special Committee should intensify its endeavour in this regard. The Working Group also decided to recommend that the Committee should continue to monitor closely its utilization of the conference-servicing resources requested and to minimize the wastage resulting from cancellation of scheduled meetings.

* See section D of the present chapter.

"7. The Working Group decided to recommend that, in the light of the experience of the Special Committee in previous years and taking into account the probable work-load for 1991, the Committee should consider holding its meetings during 1991 in the following manner:

(a) Plenary

February/June

As required

July/August

20 meetings (5 meetings a week)

(b) Subsidiary bodies

March/June

50 meetings (3 to 5 meetings a week)

July

As required

(c) The Committee may hold additional meetings, should developments so require.

"8. It was understood that this programme would not preclude the holding of extra-session meetings on an emergency basis if developments so warranted. It was also understood that the Special Committee might, in early 1991, review the programme of meetings for that year on the basis of any developments which might affect its work, and which would help to rationalize conference servicing resources.

"9. With regard to the programme of meetings of the Special Committee for 1992, the Working Group agreed that, subject to any directives the General Assembly might give in that connection, the Committee should adopt a programme similar to that suggested for 1991."

61. At the same meeting, the Special Committee approved without objection the above-mentioned recommendations.

5. Control and limitation of documentation

62. Also at its 1376th meeting, the Special Committee considered the above item on the basis of recommendations contained in the 95th report of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748). The relevant paragraph of that report reads as follows:

"10. The Working Group noted that, during the year, the Special Committee had taken further measures to control and limit its documentation in compliance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular resolutions 34/50 of 23 November 1979 and 39/68 of 13 December 1984. Those measures included, inter alia, the circulation, whenever appropriate, of Committee documents in provisional or unofficial form and the rearrangement of their distribution patterns. The Working Group decided to recommend that the Committee should improve further the existing form and organization of its report to the General Assembly."

63. At the same meeting, the Special Committee approved without objection the above-mentioned recommendation.

6. Co-operation and participation of the administering Powers in the work of the Special Committee

64. In compliance with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, the delegations of New Zealand, Portugal and the United States, as representatives of the administering Powers concerned, continued to participate, in accordance with established procedure, in the related work of the Special Committee as reflected in chapter IX of the present report (A/45/23 (Part VI)).

65. The delegations of France and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland did not participate in the work of the Committee. 11/

66. In its reports on the Territories under United Kingdom administration, the Sub-Committee on Small Territories reiterated its regret at the non-participation of the United Kingdom and the negative impact thereof on its work and reiterated its appeal to the administering Power to reconsider its decision and to resume its participation in the work of the Special Committee.

67. In a related context, the Special Committee, at its 1365th meeting, on 6 August, adopted draft resolution A/AC.109/L.1742 on the question of sending visiting missions to Territories as resolution A/AC.109/1046. By this resolution the Committee called upon the administering Powers to co-operate or continue to co-operate with the United Nations by receiving United Nations visiting missions in the Territories under their administration and continued to call upon those administering Powers that were not participating in the work of the Special Committee to reconsider their decisions and to take an active part in the work of the Committee (see chap. IV, para. 11 of the present report, A/45/23 (Part III)).

7. Participation of representatives of Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the Special Committee

68. The Special Committee, at its 1376th meeting, considered the following recommendation of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748):

"13. Taking into account the views expressed by the representatives of the remaining Non-Self-Governing Territories at the seminars organized by the Committee in Vanuatu and Barbados in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, the Working Group decided to recommend that the Special Committee consider, in co-operation with the administering Powers, how to intensify and improve the participation of those Territories in the work of the Committee within the existing resources. Consequently, in keeping with past practice, the Committee would be expected to include in its budget proposals, provisions to cover expenditures that such participation may entail."

69. At the same meeting, the Special Committee adopted without objection the above recommendation of the Working Group.

8. Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Namibia and All Other Colonial Territories, as well as Those in South Africa, Fighting for Freedom, Independence and Human Rights

70. Under the terms of General Assembly resolution 2911 (XXVII) of 2 November 1972, by paragraph 2 of which the Assembly recommended that, "on the occasion of the Week, meetings should be held, appropriate materials should be published in the press and broadcast on radio and television and public campaigns should be conducted with a view to obtaining contributions to the Assistance Fund for the Struggle against Colonialism and Apartheid established by the Organization of African Unity", and as reflected in the 279th report of the Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance (A/AC.109/L.1720), a series of activities was undertaken in observance of the Week with the co-operation of the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat, assisted by United Nations information centres throughout the world (see chap. III, para. 9, of the present report, A/45/23 (Part III)).

71. On 21 May, the Chairman of the Special Committee issued a statement in commemoration of the Week, in which he reviewed developments in the field of decolonization, particularly in southern Africa, and urged "all Member States to mobilize maximum support for the peoples of South Africa and elsewhere struggling for freedom, independence and equal rights" (see chap. III, para. 10, of the present report, A/45/23 (Part III)).

9. Representation at seminars, meetings and conferences of intergovernmental and other organizations

72. At its 1376th meeting, the Special Committee considered the following recommendation of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748):

"4. In keeping with the related requirements for the provision of the necessary budgetary resources, the Working Group decided to recommend that the Special Committee should include in the appropriate section of its report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, first, a statement to the effect that the Committee would continue to be represented at relevant seminars, meetings and conferences organized by the United Nations bodies and other intergovernmental organizations concerned and by non-governmental organizations active in the field of decolonization; and, second, a recommendation that the General Assembly should make appropriate budgetary provisions to cover such activities of the Committee in 1991."

73. At the same meeting, the Special Committee approved without objection the above-mentioned recommendation.

10. International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism

74. At its 1362nd meeting, the Special Committee, mindful of the mandate entrusted to it by the General Assembly in the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and by approving the recommendation of its Chairman on the Committee's organization of work for the year, decided to allocate to the Working Group and plenary meetings of the Committee an item entitled "International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism".

75. At its 1376th meeting, the Special Committee considered the item on the basis of the recommendations contained in the 97th report of the Working Group (A/AC.109/L.1748). The relevant paragraph of that report reads as follows:

"12. With regard to the International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism, the Working Group decided to recommend that the Special Committee authorize the Chairman to consult with and assist the Secretary-General, as necessary and appropriate, in the preparation of the draft action plan to be submitted to the General Assembly in accordance with the mandate entrusted to the Secretary-General by the General Assembly in resolution 43/47 of 22 November 1988."

76. At the same meeting, the Special Committee approved without objection the above-mentioned recommendation.

11. Report of the Special Committee to the General Assembly

77. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions relating to the organization of its work (A/AC.109/L.1718) and in accordance with paragraph 31 of General Assembly decision 34/401 relating to rationalization of procedures and organization, the Special Committee decided to follow the procedure adopted at its 1989 session 12/ in connection with the formulation of its recommendations to the Assembly at its forty-fourth session.

78. At its 1363rd meeting, the Special Committee decided to authorize its Rapporteur to prepare and submit directly to the General Assembly the various chapters of the report of the Committee in accordance with established practice and procedure.

79. At the 1364th meeting on 2 August, statements were made by the representatives of Norway, the United Republic of Tanzania, Sierra Leone, Cuba, Yugoslavia, Chile, Trinidad and Tobago, Mali, Czechoslovakia, Côte d'Ivoire and the Chairman (A/AC.109/PV.1364). At the 1371st and 1372nd meetings, on 14 and 15 August, respectively, the Chairman drew attention to communications received from the Governors of Guam and the United States Virgin Islands contained in aides-mémoire 29/90 and 30/90 (A/AC.109/PV.1371, PV.1372).

12. Other questions

80. At its 1362nd meeting, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided to request the bodies concerned, in their examination of specific Territories, to take into account the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions and decisions listed in the note of the Secretary-General on the organization of work of the Special Committee (A/AC.109/L.1717, para. 16).

81. This decision was taken into account during the consideration of specific Territories and other items at both sub-committee and plenary meetings.

G. Relations with United Nations bodies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

1. Security Council

82. In paragraph 11 (b) of its resolution 44/101 of 11 December 1989, the General Assembly requested the Special Committee "to make concrete suggestions which could assist the Security Council in considering appropriate measures under the Charter with regard to developments in colonial Territories that are likely to threaten international peace and security".

83. The Special Committee, on 24 August 1990, drew the attention of the Security Council to the conclusions and recommendations adopted at its 1363rd meeting, on 1 August, concerning the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. 13/ An account of the Committee's consideration of the question of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands is set out in chapter IX of the present report (A/45/23 (Part VI)).

84. The Special Committee, on 27 August 1990, also drew the attention of the Security Council to the relevant paragraph of a decision adopted at its 1376th meeting, on 20 August, concerning military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration which might be impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples. 14/ An account of the Committee's consideration of the item is set out in chapter VI of the present report (A/45/23 (Part IV)).

2. Trusteeship Council

85. During the year, the Special Committee continued to follow closely the work of the Trusteeship Council relating to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

86. The Special Committee, on 24 August 1990, drew the attention of the Trusteeship Council to the conclusions and recommendations adopted at its 1363rd meeting, on 1 August, concerning the Trust Territory. 15/

3. Economic and Social Council

87. In connection with the Special Committee's consideration of the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations, and in accordance with paragraph 17 of General Assembly resolution 44/85 of 11 December 1989, relating to that item, consultations were held during the year between the President of the Economic and Social Council and the Chairman of the Committee to consider "appropriate measures for co-ordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies ... in implementing the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly". Further, the Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations participated on behalf of the Committee in the Council's consideration of the related item. An account of the foregoing, and of the Committee's consideration of the item, is set out in chapter VII of the present report (A/45/23 (Part V)).

4. Commission on Human Rights

88. During the year, the Special Committee followed closely the work of the Commission on Human Rights in regard to the question of the right of peoples to self-determination and its application to peoples under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation, and to the question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in any part of the world, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and Territories.

89. In its consideration of the Territories concerned, the Special Committee took into account the relevant resolutions adopted by the Commission on Human Rights, including resolutions 1990/4 of 16 February 1990, 1990/7 and 1990/8 of 19 February 1990, 1990/11 to 1990/15, 1990/17, 1990/18 and 1990/20 of 23 February 1990 and 1990/22 of 27 February 1990 and those of its Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, including resolution 1989/34 of 1 September 1990. The Committee also took into account the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly relating to humanitarian matters, including resolutions 44/1 of 28 September 1989, 44/11 of 24 October 1989, 44/25 of 20 November 1989, 44/27 A-L of 22 November 1989, 44/34 of 4 December 1989, 44/52, 44/53, 44/56, 44/59, 44/62, 44/68, 44/69, 44/73, 44/77 and 44/79 to 44/81 of 8 December 1989, 44/113, 44/129, 44/136, 44/143, 44/146, 44/147, 44/155 to 44/157 and 44/159 of 15 December 1989, and 44/171 and 44/181 of 19 December 1989.

5. Special Committee against Apartheid

90. Bearing in mind the repercussions of the policies of apartheid on the situation in southern Africa, the Special Committee also continued to pay close attention during the year to the work of the Special Committee against Apartheid, and the officers of the two committees remained in close communication as regards matters of common interest.

91. The Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone to the United Nations made a statement on behalf of the Special Committee on 21 March at a solemn meeting organized by the Special Committee against Apartheid in New York in observance of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (A/AC.115/PV.638).

6. Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

92. During the year, having regard to the relevant provisions of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the Special Committee continued to follow the work of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (see para. 104).

7. Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights
of the Palestinian People

93. The Deputy Foreign Minister of Cuba participated in and addressed a United Nations Latin American and Caribbean regional seminar and non-governmental organization (NGO) symposium on "The inalienable rights of the Palestinian people", held at Buenos Aires from 5 to 9 February 1990. The Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone to the United Nations represented the Special Committee at a United Nations African regional seminar and NGO symposium on "The inalienable rights of the Palestinian people", held at Freetown from 2 to 6 April 1990. The Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations and Vice-Chairman of the Special Committee participated in a United Nations North American regional seminar on "Peace and justice for the Palestinian people - an imperative for the 1990s" and a North American regional NGO symposium on "The question of Palestine", in New York from 25 to 29 June 1990.

8. Specialized agencies and international institutions
associated with the United Nations

94. In accordance with the requests contained in the relevant General Assembly resolutions, the Special Committee continued its consideration of the question of the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations. In the same context, the Committee, through its Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance, again held consultations during the year with officials of several organizations. An account of these consultations and of the Committee's consideration of the question is set out in chapter VII of the present report (A/45/23 (Part V)).

95. During the year, the Special Committee adopted decisions relating to the extension of assistance to the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories. These decisions are reflected in chapters VII and IX of the present report (A/45/23 (Parts V and VI)).

9. Movement of Non-Aligned Countries

96. The Ambassador of Venezuela in Havana attended, on behalf of the Special Committee, the Third Conference of Ministers of Information of the Non-Aligned Countries (COMINAC III), held at Havana from 24 to 29 September 1990.

10. Organization of African Unity

97. Bearing in mind its earlier decision to maintain contact with OAU on a regular basis in order to assist in the effective discharge of its mandate, the Special Committee, as in previous years, followed closely the work of that organization during the year and maintained close liaison with its General Secretariat on matters of common interest.

98. The Chairman represented the Special Committee at the following meetings of OAU: fifty-second ordinary session of the Council of Ministers and twenty-sixth

ordinary session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government, held at Addis Ababa from 3 to 7 and 9 to 11 July 1990, respectively.

99. In response to an invitation for the Chairman to be represented at the fifty-first ordinary session of the Council of Ministers, held at Addis Ababa from 19 to 24 February, the Chairman transmitted the text of his statement for circulation at the session.

100. In response to an invitation for the Special Committee to be represented at the fifty-third ordinary session of the OAU Co-ordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa, held at Cairo from 12 to 14 February, the Chairman sent a message on behalf of the Committee.

11. Non-governmental organizations

101. Having regard to the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions 44/101 and 44/102 of 11 December 1989, the Special Committee continued to follow closely the activities of non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization. The related decisions of the Committee are reflected in chapter III of the present report (A/45/23 (Part III)).

102. In response to invitations for the Special Committee to be represented at a session of the World Peace Council, held at Athens from 6 to 11 February 1990, and at the International Scientific Conference on Africa in World History organized by the Soviet Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee, held at Moscow from 25 to 27 May, the Chairman sent messages on behalf of the Special Committee.

12. Independence of Namibia

103. The Chairman attended on behalf of the Special Committee the independence ceremony at Windhoek on 21 March 1990.

H. Action relating to international conventions/studies/programmes

1. International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination 16/

104. At its 1362nd meeting, on 22 January 1990, by adopting the suggestions put forward by the Chairman relating to the organization of the Committee's work (A/AC.109/L.1718), the Special Committee decided, *inter alia*, to include in its agenda for the current session an item entitled "International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination" and to consider it at its plenary meetings and at meetings of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories, as appropriate.

105. The Special Committee continued during the year to monitor related developments in Territories, having regard to the relevant provisions of article 15 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

2. Status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid

106. The Special Committee continued during the year to take into account the provisions of relevant General Assembly resolutions, in particular resolution 44/69 of 8 December 1989 in connection with its consideration of the related items and invited its Chairman to continue to extend all possible assistance to, and co-operate closely with, the Secretary-General in the discharge of the mandate entrusted to him by the Assembly in relation to the "Status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid".

107. The Special Committee, in a related context, took into account Commission on Human Rights resolution 1990/12 of 23 February 1990 concerning the implementation of the Convention.

3. Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

108. The Special Committee continued to take into account the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the United Nations bodies concerned relating to the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, including in particular General Assembly resolution 44/52 of 8 December 1989 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/49 of 25 May 1990 on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade, as well as the relevant report 17/ of the Secretary-General.

109. During the year, the Special Committee, in a related context, took into account the relevant provisions of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1990/13 of 23 February 1990 concerning the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

I. Review of work*

110. As noted elsewhere in the present report, 18/ the programme of work of the Special Committee for the year was heavy in consequence of the fact that, in addition to its annual review of developments in colonial Territories, the Committee was requested by the General Assembly, in its resolution 44/100 of 11 December 1989, to undertake a series of activities in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples. In so doing, the Assembly emphasized that the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary would be an appropriate occasion to evaluate the progress achieved during the past 30 years in the implementation of the Declaration, as well as the role played by the United Nations and its system of

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* This section contains a brief review of the principal decisions taken by the Special Committee during its 1990 session. A full account of these and other decisions is given in the relevant chapters of the present report. The views and reservations expressed by individual members on matters covered by this section are contained in the records of the meetings at which they were discussed, references to which are also included in the chapters concerned.

organizations in that regard, and to formulate specific measures for the elimination of all remnants of colonialism in all its forms and manifestations in various areas of the world.

111. Pursuant to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 44/100, the Special Committee undertook during its 1990 session a number of activities in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration. These activities included the holding of regional seminars in Vanuatu and Barbados, an account of which is set out in chapter II of the present report. 18/ On the basis of the views expressed by the representatives and in light of the ensuing consultations, the Special Committee, as requested in resolution 44/100, formulated a draft resolution on the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration (A/AC.109/L.1753), to be submitted to the General Assembly for consideration at its forty-fifth session. By adopting the draft resolution, the Assembly would recommend to States, the competent United Nations organs, the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations further measures towards the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration.

112. In accordance with the mandate entrusted to it by the General Assembly, the Special Committee continued at its 1990 session to seek suitable means for the immediate and full implementation of Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) in all Territories that had not yet attained independence and it formulated specific proposals for the elimination of the remaining manifestations of colonialism, as reflected elsewhere in the present report. A brief outline of decisions adopted by the Committee during the year is given below.

113. As regards the decolonization of Territories, the majority of which are island Territories scattered over a wide span of oceans, the Special Committee reiterated its conviction that questions of territorial size, geographical isolation or limited resources did not in any way affect the inalienable right of the inhabitants of those Territories to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Declaration. The Committee reiterated also that it was the responsibility of the administering Powers to create such conditions in those Territories as would enable their peoples to exercise freely and without interference their inalienable right to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Declaration. The Committee reaffirmed that it was ultimately for the people of those Territories themselves to determine their future political status in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and the Declaration. In that connection, the Committee also reaffirmed the importance of fostering an awareness among the peoples of the possibilities open to them in the exercise of their right to self-determination. The Committee's capacity to assist in expediting the decolonization process in respect of the Territories concerned was again enhanced during the year as a result of the continued co-operation extended to it by the Governments of New Zealand, Portugal and the United States as administering Powers, in accordance with established procedure. The United Kingdom and France did not participate in the related work of the Committee during the year. The Committee hoped that the two Governments would reconsider their position in that regard.

114. In the same context, the Special Committee, aware of the importance of securing adequate, first-hand information on the political, economic and social conditions prevailing in the colonial Territories, as well as on the views and aspirations of their inhabitants, stressed the need to continue to dispatch visiting missions to those Territories in order to facilitate the speedy and effective implementation of the Declaration. The Committee called upon the

administering Powers to co-operate or continue to co-operate with the United Nations in that connection.

115. On the question of the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations, the Special Committee noted the assistance extended thus far to colonial Territories and considered that such assistance should be expanded further, commensurate with the pressing needs of the peoples concerned for external assistance, and reaffirmed the responsibility of the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to take all the necessary measures, within their respective spheres of competence, to ensure the full and speedy implementation of all relevant United Nations resolutions. In stressing the importance of securing additional resources for funding expanding programmes of assistance for the peoples concerned and the need to enlist the support of the major funding institutions within the United Nations system in that regard, the Committee reiterated that the organizations concerned should initiate or broaden contacts and co-operation with the colonial peoples and the administering Powers concerned to intensify programmes of assistance and urged the executive heads of those organizations to submit to their governing and legislative organs concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant United Nations decisions, particularly specific programmes of assistance to the peoples of the colonial Territories and their national liberation movements. The Committee also urged the executive heads of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund to introduce flexible procedures to prepare specific programmes for the peoples of the colonial Territories. In noting with grave concern the extensive links and collaboration between the apartheid régime of South Africa and certain countries in the political, diplomatic, economic, nuclear, military and other fields, and the growing military and nuclear co-operation between racist Pretoria and Israel, the Committee condemned those extensive links and collaboration and growing co-operation. The Committee stressed, in the context of the Declaration on Apartheid and its Destructive Consequences in Southern Africa, the need for the specialized agencies and other organizations in the United Nations system to render all possible assistance to the front-line and neighbouring States to enable them to rebuild their economies, which have been adversely affected by South Africa's acts of aggression and destabilization, to withstand any further such acts and to continue to support the people of South Africa. In welcoming the continued initiative exercised by the United Nations Development Programme in maintaining close liaison among the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, and in co-ordinating the activities of the agencies in extending effective assistance to the peoples of colonial Territories, the Committee called upon the organizations of the United Nations system, as a matter of urgency, to contribute generously to the relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts in those Non-Self-Governing Territories affected by natural disasters.

116. As concerns activities of foreign economic and other interests impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in colonial Territories, the Special Committee reaffirmed that any economic or other activity that impeded the implementation of the Declaration and obstructed efforts aimed at the elimination of colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa and other colonial Territories was in direct violation of the rights of the inhabitants and of the principles of the Charter and all relevant resolutions of the United Nations. The Committee also reaffirmed the inalienable right of the peoples of those Territories

to self-determination and independence and to the enjoyment of their natural resources. The Committee further reaffirmed that the activities of foreign economic, financial and other interests operating at present in the colonial Territories constituted a major obstacle to political independence and racial equality. The Committee strongly condemned the collaboration of certain Western countries, in particular Israel, with the racist minority régime of South Africa in the nuclear field. The Committee called upon all Governments that had not yet done so to take effective measures to terminate all collaboration with the racist régime of South Africa, in particular in respect of their nationals and the bodies corporate under their jurisdiction that owned and operated enterprises in colonial Territories that were detrimental to the interests of the inhabitants of those Territories. The Committee called upon those oil-producing and oil-exporting countries that had not yet done so to take effective measures to terminate the supply of crude oil and petroleum products to the racist régime of South Africa. The Committee urged the administering Powers concerned to take effective measures to safeguard and guarantee the inalienable right of the peoples of the colonial Territories to their natural resources and to establish and maintain control over the future development of those resources.

117. With respect to the military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration which might be impeding the implementation of the Declaration, the Special Committee reaffirmed its strong conviction that the presence of military bases and installations in the colonial and Non-Self-Governing Territories could constitute a major obstacle to the implementation of the Declaration and that it was the responsibility of the administering Powers to ensure that the existence of such bases and installations did not hinder the populations of the Territories from exercising their right to self-determination and independence in conformity with the purposes and principles of the Charter and the Declaration. Further, the Committee urged the administering Powers to continue to take all necessary measures not to involve the Territories concerned in any offensive acts or interference against other States and to comply fully with the purposes and principles of the Charter, the Declaration and the resolutions and decisions of the United Nations relating to military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration. The Committee once again called upon the administering Powers concerned to terminate such activities and dismantle such military bases. The Committee reiterated that the colonial Territories and areas adjacent thereto should not be used for nuclear testing, dumping of nuclear waste or deployment of nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction. The Committee condemned the continuing support to the racist régime of South Africa in the military and nuclear fields and expressed its concern at the grave consequences of international peace and security of the collaboration between the racist régime of South Africa and certain Western Powers, Israel and other countries. It called upon them to end all such collaboration. The Committee also deprecated the continued alienation of land in colonial Territories for military installations.

118. On the question of the publicity to be given to the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization, the Special Committee again stressed the need to mobilize world public opinion in support of the peoples of colonial Territories and their national liberation movements in their efforts to achieve self-determination, freedom and independence. Bearing in mind the important role being played by an increasing number of non-governmental organizations active in the field of decolonization, and pursuant to General Assembly resolution 44/100 on the thirtieth

anniversary of the Declaration, the Committee held two regional seminars, inter alia, with non-governmental organizations based in the Pacific and Caribbean regions. The seminars, one held at Port Vila, Vanuatu, in May 1990 and the other at Bridgetown, Barbados, in June, were attended by the representatives of some 24 non-governmental organizations. An account of the seminars is set out in chapter II of the present report. 18/ As reflected in the report, the Committee invited those organizations to continue and intensify their campaign against the evils and dangers of colonialism, as well as their support for all colonial peoples. The Committee considered it essential that concrete measures be taken to intensify the dissemination of information on decolonization issues - publicizing the activities of United Nations organs in the field of decolonization and providing wider dissemination of information on all colonial Territories. The Committee requested the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat to intensify its information activities on decolonization, both at United Nations Headquarters and through the effective deployment of the United Nations information centres, and report thereon to the Committee.

119. During the year, the Special Committee also continued its review of the list of Territories to which the Declaration is applicable. As regards its decision of 17 August 1989 concerning Puerto Rico, the Committee heard a number of representatives of organizations concerned and adopted a further resolution on the matter (A/AC.109/1051), which is set out in paragraph 49 of the present chapter.

120. In accordance with the guidelines established by the General Assembly, the Special Committee was able during the year to reduce to a minimum the number of its formal meetings and to minimize the wastage resulting from cancellation of scheduled meetings.

J. Future work

121. In accordance with the mandate entrusted to it in the relevant General Assembly resolutions, and subject to any further directives which it may receive from the General Assembly during the latter's forty-fifth session, the Special Committee intends during 1990 to pursue its efforts in seeking the best ways and means for the immediate and full implementation of the Declaration in all Territories that have not yet attained independence. In particular, the Committee will keep under scrutiny developments concerning each Territory, as well as the compliance by all States, in particular the administering Powers, with the relevant decisions and resolutions of the United Nations. On the basis of that review, the Committee will submit conclusions and recommendations on the specific measures necessary to achieve the objectives set out in the Declaration and the relevant provisions of the Charter.

122. The Special Committee will continue to make concrete suggestions which could assist the Security Council in considering appropriate measures under the Charter with regard to developments in colonial Territories that are likely to threaten international peace and security.

123. The Special Committee will continue to pay special attention to the small Territories, whenever possible by dispatching visiting missions to those Territories, and to recommend to the General Assembly the most suitable steps to be taken to enable the populations of those Territories to exercise their right to self-determination and independence. In making those recommendations, the

Committee will take into consideration the summaries of discussions contained in the reports of the two regional seminars, which might serve as a basis in formulating programmes appropriate for follow-up action. The Committee also intends to continue its review of the list of Territories to which the Declaration is applicable.

124. The Special Committee intends to continue its consideration of further measures to bring an end to the activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration in Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa. Further, the Committee intends to continue its study of military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration which might be impeding the implementation of the Declaration.

125. The Special Committee plans to continue its consideration of the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations. In so doing, the Committee will once again review the action taken or envisaged by international organizations in the implementation of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly. The Committee will hold further consultations and contacts with those organizations, as appropriate. The Committee will also be guided by the results of further consultations, to be held in 1990, between its Chairman and the President of the Economic and Social Council within the context of the relevant decisions of the Assembly, the Council and the Committee itself. Further, the Committee will maintain close contact on a regular basis with the Secretary-General of OAU and senior members of the organization, with a view to facilitating the effective implementation of the decisions of the various United Nations bodies by the specialized agencies and other organizations concerned.

126. In its resolutions relating to specific Territories, the General Assembly has repeatedly called upon the administering Powers to co-operate or continue to co-operate with the Special Committee by permitting access of visiting missions to the Territories under their administration. Having regard to the constructive role played by previous United Nations visiting missions to colonial Territories, the Committee continues to attach vital importance to the dispatching of such missions as a means of collecting adequate and first-hand information on conditions in the Territories and on the wishes and aspirations of the people concerning their future status. Accordingly, the Committee will continue to seek the full co-operation of the administering Powers in order to obtain such information through the sending, as appropriate, of visiting missions to Territories.

127. Conscious of the importance which the General Assembly attaches to the need for a continuous world-wide campaign of publicity in the field of decolonization, the Special Committee will give its continuous attention to the question of dissemination of information on decolonization. In particular, the Committee expects to continue its review of the relevant programmes of publications and other information activities envisaged by the Department of Public Information and the Department for Special Political Questions, Regional Co-operation, Decolonization and Trusteeship. The Committee will again make appropriate recommendations, for consideration by the Assembly, on the ways and means of ensuring the widest possible dissemination of the relevant information. The Assembly will no doubt wish to urge the administering Powers to co-operate with the Secretary-General in promoting the large-scale dissemination of information in the Territories concerned.

128. In view of the importance that it attaches to the role of non-governmental organizations active in the field of decolonization in support of the peoples of the dependent Territories, the Special Committee will continue to seek the close collaboration of such organizations with a view, inter alia, to enlisting their support in the dissemination of the relevant information and in the mobilization of world public opinion in the cause of decolonization. To that end, it is the Committee's intention also to continue to participate in conferences, seminars and other special meetings dealing with decolonization, arranged by those organizations, as well as such meetings as may be organized by the United Nations bodies concerned and other intergovernmental organizations.

129. Taking into account the views expressed by the representatives of the remaining Non-Self-Governing Territories at the seminars organized by the Special Committee in Vanuatu and Barbados in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration, 19/ the Committee will consider, in co-operation with the administering Powers, how to intensify and improve the participation of the representatives of those Territories in the work of the Committee within the existing resources.

130. In the light of the provisions of the General Assembly resolutions concerning the pattern of conferences, and taking into consideration its experience in previous years, as well as its probable work-load for next year, the Special Committee has approved a tentative programme of meetings for 1991-1992, which it commends for approval by the Assembly. In the same connection, as authorized by the Assembly, the Committee intends to meet elsewhere than at United Nations Headquarters whenever and wherever such meetings might be required for the effective discharge of its functions. Subject to the availability of the requisite conference services and facilities, the Committee will consider accepting such invitations as might be received in that connection in 1991 and, when particulars of such meetings become known, it would request the Secretary-General to seek the necessary budgetary provision in accordance with established procedure.

131. The Special Committee suggests that, when the General Assembly examines the question of the implementation of the Declaration at its forty-fifth session, it may wish to take into account the various recommendations of the Committee which are reflected in the relevant chapters of the present report and, in particular, to endorse the proposals outlined in the present section in order to enable the Committee to carry out the tasks it envisages for 1991. In addition, the Committee recommends that the Assembly should renew its appeal to the administering Powers to take all necessary steps for the implementation of the Declaration and the relevant United Nations resolutions, in accordance with the freely expressed wishes of the peoples of the Territories concerned. In this connection, the Committee recommends that the Assembly should again request the administering Powers to co-operate or continue to co-operate with the Committee in the discharge of its mandate and, in particular, to participate actively in the work relating to the Territories under their respective administrations. Bearing in mind the affirmation by the Assembly that direct association of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies is an effective means of promoting the progress of the peoples of those Territories towards a position of equality with States Members of the United Nations, the Committee also recommends that the Assembly should continue to invite the administering Powers to allow representatives of the Territories concerned to participate in the discussions in the Fourth Committee and the Special Committee of the items relating to their respective territories. Further, the Assembly might also wish to renew its appeal

to all States, the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to comply with the various requests addressed to them by the Assembly and the Security Council in their relevant resolutions.

132. The Special Committee recommends that, in approving the programme of work outlined above, the General Assembly should make adequate provision to cover the activities the Committee envisages for 1991. In this regard, the Special Committee recalls that in his proposed programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991, the Secretary-General has included estimates in respect of the regular programme of work of the Special Committee for 1990 and 1991 based on the level of activities approved for the year 1989, without prejudice to the decisions to be taken by the General Assembly at its forty-fifth and forty-sixth sessions. On that basis, the Special Committee understands that adequate provisions would be approved by the General Assembly. Should the Committee decide to hold a series of meetings away from Headquarters (see para. 130) within the context of paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 1654 (XVI) and paragraph 3 (9) of Assembly resolution 2621 (XXV) and when particulars of such meetings become available, it is understood that the Secretary-General will, subject to the availability of the requisite conference services and facilities, seek the necessary budgetary provision in accordance with established procedure. Finally, the Committee expresses the hope that the Secretary-General will continue to provide it with all the facilities and personnel necessary for the discharge of its mandate, taking into account the various tasks assigned to it by the Assembly as well as those arising from decisions taken by it during the current year.

K. Conclusion of 1990 session

133. At its 1363rd meeting, on 1 August, the Special Committee decided to request the Rapporteur to prepare and submit the present report directly to the General Assembly, in accordance with established practice.

134. At the 1376th meeting, on 20 August, the Chairman made a statement on the occasion of the closing of the Special Committee's 1990 session (A/AC.109/PV.1376).

Notes

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventeenth Session, Annexes, addendum to agenda item 25, document A/5238.

2/ See the reports of the Special Committee submitted to the General Assembly at its eighteenth to forty-fourth sessions. For the most recent, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/42/23); *ibid.*, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/43/23); and *ibid.*, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/44/23).

3/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/44/23).

4/ *Ibid.*, chap. I, sect. K.

5/ *Ibid.*, chap. II.

Notes (continued)

6/ Ibid., Forty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 8, document A/44/250 and Corr.1 and 2, para. 28.

7/ A/44/860.

8/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/44/23), chap. I, para. 128.

9/ Ibid., para. 48.

10/ A/AC.109/L.1746.

11/ For the explanation of their non-participation, see document A/42/651, annex; see also Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/41/23), chap. I, paras. 76 and 77.

12/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/44/23), chap. I, paras. 79 and 80.

13/ S/21662.

14/ S/21678.

15/ T/1950.

16/ General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX) of 21 December 1965, annex.

17/ E/1990/20 and Add.1.

18/ A/45/23 (Part II).

19/ A/AC.109/1040 and Corr.1 and A/AC.109/1043.

Annex

LIST OF OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE, 1990

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A/AC.109/1015 and Corr.1	Pitcairn (working paper)	19 January 1990 26 January 1990
A/AC.109/1016	St. Helena (working paper)	29 January 1990
A/AC.109/1017	Guam (working paper)	5 February 1990
A/AC.109/1018	Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers in Territories under their administration which might be impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: Guam	5 February 1990
A/AC.109/1019	Cayman Islands (working paper)	13 February 1990
A/AC.109/1020	Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, <u>apartheid</u> and racial discrimination in southern Africa: Cayman Islands	7 February 1990
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Regional seminars in observance
of the thirtieth anniversary of
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Independence to Colonial Countries
and Peoples: Guidelines and rules
of procedure

14 March 1990

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and Corr.1
and Add.1

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(working paper)

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A/AC.109/1024

Activities of foreign economic
and other interests ...: Turks
and Caicos Islands

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A/AC.109/1025

Bermuda (working paper)

29 March 1990

A/AC.109/1026

Anguilla (working paper)

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A/AC.109/1027

Military activities and
arrangements by colonial
Powers ...: Bermuda

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A/AC.109/1028

Activities of foreign economic
and other interests ...: Bermuda

3 April 1990

A/AC.109/1029

United States Virgin Islands
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Virgin Islands

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Montserrat

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Tokelau (working paper)

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A/AC.109/1037 and Add.1	East Timor (working paper)	26 July 1990 8 August 1990
A/AC.109/1038	Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands	[to be issued]
A/AC.109/1039 and Corr.1	Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General	26 July 1990 1 August 1990
A/AC.109/1040 and Corr.1	Report of the regional seminar in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration, held at Port Vila, Vanuatu, from 9 to 11 May 1990	30 July 1990 15 August 1990
A/AC.109/1041 and Corr.1	New Caledonia (working paper)	3 August 1990 16 August 1990
A/AC.109/1042 and Corr.1	Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (working paper)	10 August 1990 2 October 1990
A/AC.109/1043	Report of the regional seminar in observance of the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration, held at Bridgetown, Barbados, from 19 to 21 June 1990	30 July 1990
A/AC.109/1044	Gibraltar (working paper)	14 August 1990
A/AC.109/1045	Question of East Timor: letter dated 27 July 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Special Committee	31 July 1990
A/AC.109/1045/Add.1	Question of East Timor: letter dated 7 August 1990 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Special Committee	7 August 1990
A/AC.109/1046	Question of sending visiting missions to Territories: resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1365th meeting, on 6 August 1990	6 August 1990

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A/AC.109/1048 and Corr.1/Rev.1	Western Sahara (working paper)	13 August 1990 19 September 1990
A/AC.109/1049	Question of New Caledonia: resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1369th meeting, on 13 August 1990	16 August 1990
A/AC.109/1050	Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas): resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1370th meeting, on 14 August 1990	14 August 1990
A/AC.109/1051	Special Committee decision of 17 August 1989 concerning Puerto Rico: resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1373rd meeting, on 15 August 1990	16 August 1990
A/AC.109/1052	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations: resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1376th meeting, on 20 August 1990	21 August 1990
A/AC.109/1053	Activities of foreign economic and other interests ...: resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1376th meeting, on 20 August 1990	21 August 1990
A/AC.109/1054	Military activities and arrangements by colonial Powers ...: decision adopted by the Special Committee at its 1376th meeting, on 20 August 1990	21 August 1990
A/AC.109/1055	Thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its 1376th meeting, on 20 August 1990	23 August 1990

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A/AC.109/L.1717	Organization of work: relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly - note by the Secretary-General	18 January 1990
A/AC.109/L.1718	Organization of work: note by the Chairman	18 January 1990
A/AC.109/L.1719	278th report of the Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance: Organization of work	12 April 1990
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A/AC.109/L.1724	283rd report of the Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance: Consultations with representatives of the Organization of African Unity and the national liberation movements	17 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1725	284th report of the Sub-Committee on Petitions, Information and Assistance: Examination of the progress made in the carrying into effect of the Plan of Action for the Full Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples	11 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1726	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: Anguilla	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1727	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: Bermuda	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1728	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: British Virgin Islands	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1729	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: Cayman Islands	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1730	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: Montserrat	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1731	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: Pitcairn	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1732	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: St. Helena	20 July 1990
A/AC.109/L.1733	Report of the Sub-Committee on Small Territories: Turks and Caicos Islands	20 July 1990

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