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ON THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS COVERING THE PERIOD
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INTRODUCTION

1. In accordance with Article 83 of the Charter of the United Nations, with resolution 70 (1949) adopted by the Security Council at its 415th meeting on 7 March 1949, and with its own resolution 46 (IV) of 24 March 1949, the Trusteeship Council has carried out on behalf of the Security Council those functions of the United Nations under the International Trusteeship System relating to the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, designated as a strategic area.

PART I. ACTIVITIES OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

A. Examination of the annual report

2. The report of the Government of the United States of America on the administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands for the year ending 30 June 1973 ^{1/} was transmitted to members of the Trusteeship Council on 24 May 1974 by a note of the Secretary-General (T/1752) and placed on the agenda of the Council at its forty-first session.

3. The Trusteeship Council began its examination of the annual report at the 1422nd meeting, held on 4 June 1974. The representative of the United States and the Special Representative of the Administering Authority, Mr. Edward E. Johnston, High Commissioner of the Trust Territory, made opening statements. Senator Wilfred Kendall and Representative Joab Sigrah, members of the Congress of Micronesia, who served as special advisers to the United States delegation, also made statements.

4. At the 1423rd to 1425th meetings, on 5 and 6 June, questions were put to the representative of the United States, the Special Representative and the Special Advisers by members of the Trusteeship Council. At the 1426th meeting, on 7 June, the Council held a general debate on conditions in the Trust Territory.

5. At the 1427th meeting, on 10 June, the representative of the United States, the Special Representative, and Senator Kendall and Representative Sigrah, special advisers, made closing statements. At the same meeting, the Council appointed a drafting committee, composed of the representatives of France and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, to propose, on the basis of the

^{1/} Twenty-sixth Annual Report to the United Nations on the Administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1 July 1972 to 30 June 1973. Transmitted by the United States of America to the United Nations pursuant to Article 88 of the Charter of the United Nations. Department of State Publication 8758. International Organization and Conference Series 112. Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.

discussion which had taken place in the Council, conclusions and recommendations on conditions in the Trust Territory and to make recommendations concerning the chapter on conditions in that Territory for inclusion in the Council's report to the Security Council.

6. At the _____ meeting on _____ June, the Council considered the report of the Drafting Committee (T/L.1187) /to be completed later/.

B. Examination of petitions

7. During the examination of the annual report on the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (T/1752) at its forty-first session, the Trusteeship Council heard three petitioners. The petitioners' requests for oral hearings had been circulated in documents T/PET.10/82 and T/PET.10/84.

8. At its forty-first session, the Trusteeship Council had before it 26 communications which had been circulated in documents T/COM.10/L.111 to T/COM.10/L.136, under rule 24 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council. In addition, two other communications, one from Nanyo Boeki Kaisha, Ltd., Tokyo, and the other from Peter Fisher Trading Pty., Ltd., Sydney, were brought to the attention of members of the Council.

9. The Trusteeship Council examined these communications at its 1425th meeting, on 6 June, and decided, without objection, to take note of them.

10. The Trusteeship Council also examined the following written petitions which had been circulated in accordance with rule 85, paragraph 1, of the Council's rules of procedure:

(a) A petition (T/PET.10/80) from Mr. Felipe Atalig, Representative, Congress of Micronesia, requesting a special session of the Trusteeship Council. The observations of the Administering Authority to this petition were circulated in document T/OBS.10/41.

(b) A petition (T/PET.10/81) from the Saipan Chamber of Commerce concerning the oil embargo.

(c) A petition (T/PET.10/83) from Ms. Mary Bye, Friends Peace Committee, concerning the refusal of the District Administrator of Saipan to organize a plebiscite on the island of Tinian.

11. At its 1425th meeting, on 6 June, the Trusteeship Council decided, without objection, to draw the attention of the petitioners to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements made by members of the Council at that meeting.

PART II. CONDITIONS IN THE TRUST TERRITORY
OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

/This part will include the chapter on conditions in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands as it is finally adopted by the Trusteeship Council at its forty-first session./
