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PART I

ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

CHAPTER I

ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

A. Membership

1. The composition of the Trusteeship Council on 1 January 1975 was as follows:

Members administering Trust Territories

Australia

United States of America

Members mentioned by name in Article 23 of the Charter of the United Nations
and not administering Trust Territories

China

France

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

B. Officers

2. Mr. James Murray (United Kingdom) and Ms. Barbara M. White (United States) were elected President and Vice-President, respectively, at the beginning of the forty-second session on 27 May 1975.

C. Sessions and meetings

3. The Council held the following meetings during the period covered by this report: forty-second session (1435th to _____ meetings, from 27 May to _____ June 1975).

4. All meetings took place at United Nations Headquarters, New York.

D. Procedure

5. No change affecting procedure was made by the Council in the period under review.

E. Relations with the Security Council

6. In accordance with Article 83 of the Charter, 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 continued to perform those functions of the United Nations under the Trusteeship System relating to political, economic, social and educational matters in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands and submitted a report thereon to the Security Council. 1/

F. Relations with the specialized agencies

7. Representatives of the International Labour Organisation (ILO), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the World Health Organization (WHO) participated in the work of the Council.

CHAPTER II

EXAMINATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS

8. The Trusteeship Council had before it the annual reports of the Administering Authorities on Papua New Guinea (T/1751/Add.1 and Add.2 and T/1765) and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (T/1762).

1/ Official Records of the Security Council, Thirtieth Year, Special Supplement No. 1 (S/).

9. The annual report on the administration of Papua New Guinea covering the year ending 30 June 1974 was received by the Secretary-General on 23 May 1975. Details of the Trusteeship Council's examination of the annual report of the United States on the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands are contained in the report of the Trusteeship Council to the Security Council. 2/

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CHAPTER III

EXAMINATION OF PETITIONS

10. There were no petitions concerning Papua New Guinea before the Trusteeship Council. The consideration and examination of communications and petitions relating to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands are dealt with in the Trusteeship Council's report to the Security Council. 3/

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CHAPTER IV

VISITS TO TRUST TERRITORIES

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CHAPTER V

ATTAINMENT OF SELF-GOVERNMENT OR INDEPENDENCE BY THE TRUST TERRITORIES AND THE SITUATION IN TRUST TERRITORIES WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

A. General

/To be completed/

B. Co-operation with 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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2/ Ibid.

3/ Ibid.

C. General Assembly resolution 3284 (XXIX) of 13 December 1974
on the question of Papua New Guinea

11. In resolution 3284 (XXIX), concerning Papua New Guinea, the General Assembly,

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"1. Resolves, in agreement with the Administering Power, that, on the date on which Papua New Guinea shall become independent, the Trusteeship Agreement for the Territory of New Guinea, approved by the General Assembly on 13 December 1946, shall cease to be in force;

"2. Requests the administering Power to notify the Secretary-General of the date on which Papua New Guinea will accede to independence and on which the Trusteeship Agreement shall cease to be in force."

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CHAPTER VI

OTHER QUESTIONS CONSIDERED BY THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

A. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities
for inhabitants of Trust Territories

12. The United Nations programme of scholarships for inhabitants of Trust Territories was initiated by General Assembly resolution 557 (VI) of 18 January 1952. Under the procedure approved by the Trusteeship Council for the administration of this programme, the Secretary-General was invited to submit to the Trusteeship Council at least once a year a report containing all appropriate details of the programme.

13. The report of the Secretary-General submitted to the Council at its forty-second session (T/1764) covered the period from 1 June 1974 to 29 May 1975. It contained information on the use made of the scholarships and training facilities offered by 11 States Members of the United Nations. According to information made available to the Secretary-General, no application for scholarships offered by these Member States was received from either of the two remaining Trust Territories during the period under review.

14. At its _____ meeting, on __ June, the Council considered the Secretary-General's report on the scholarships programme for inhabitants of Trust Territories.

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B. Dissemination of information on the United Nations and the International Trusteeship System in Trust Territories

15. The annual report of the Secretary-General (T/1763) on the arrangements undertaken in co-operation with the Administering Authorities for distributing official records of the United Nations and disseminating information concerning the aims and activities of the United Nations and the International Trusteeship System in the Trust Territories was submitted to the Council at its forty-second session, in accordance with the provisions of Trusteeship Council resolution 36 (III) of 8 July 1948 and General Assembly resolution 754 (VIII) of 9 December 1953.

16. The report, covering the period from 14 April 1974 to 13 April 1975, set out the activities carried out by the Office of Public Information through its information centres in Washington, D.C., and Port Moresby in disseminating information on the United Nation.

17. The report indicated that the centres have continued to pay great attention to the increased interest by the media, including press and radio, in the United Nations and the International Trusteeship System within the Territories. Efforts were being made in both Territories to strengthen the relationship between the centres and government authorities, educational institutions and non-governmental organizations. A greater flow of information material has been established and is being maintained between the centres and the major information channels.

18. The Trusteeship Council considered the Secretary-General's report at its _____ meeting on _____ June 1975.

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C. Co-operation with the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

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D. Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

19. By paragraph 3 of its resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973, the General Assembly invited United Nations organs to participate in the observance of the Decade by intensifying and expanding their efforts towards ensuring the rapid eradication of racism and racial discrimination.

20. The Trusteeship Council placed on the agenda of its forty-second session an item entitled "Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination" which it considered at its _____ meeting on _____ June 1975.

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PART II

CONDITIONS IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

/This part will include the chapter on conditions in Papua New Guinea as it is finally adopted by the Trusteeship Council at its forty-second session./
