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ON THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS COVERING THE
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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. ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

A. ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

Membership

2. The composition of the Trusteeship Council on 1 January 1978 was as follows:

Member administering a Trust Territory

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

Officers

3. Mr. Pierre Garrigue-Guyonnaud (France) and Miss Sheila E. Harden (United Kingdom) were elected President and Vice-President, respectively, at the beginning of the forty-fifth session on 15 May 1978.

Meetings

4. During the period covered by this report, the Council held ___ meetings as follows: 1470th to _____ meetings, from 15 May to ___ June 1978.

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

Procedure

6. No change affecting the procedure for the examination of conditions in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands was made by the Council during the period under review.

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.

8. The representative of WHO made a statement in regard to assistance provided by his organization to the Trust Territory at the 1476th meeting of the Council on 23 May 1978.

B. EXAMINATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 SEPTEMBER 1977: TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

9. The report of the Government of the United States on the administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands for the year ending 1 September 1977 1/ was transmitted to members of the Trusteeship Council on 24 March 1978 by a note of the Secretary-General (T/1786) and placed on the agenda of the Council at its forty-fifth session.

10. The Trusteeship Council began its examination of the annual report at its 1460th meeting, on 15 May 1978. At the same meeting, and at the 1471st meeting, on the same day, the representatives of the United States and the Special Representatives of the Administering Authority, Mr. Adrian P. Winkel, High Commissioner of the Trust Territory and Mr. Carlos S. Camacho, Governor of the Northern Mariana Islands, made opening statements. Senator Ambilos Iehsi and Representative Raymond Setik, members of the Congress of Micronesia, and Senator Lorenzo Guerrero of the Northern Mariana Islands Legislature, who served as special advisers to the United States delegation, also made statements.

11. At the 1474th and 1475th meetings, on 19 May, questions were put to the representative of the United States, the Special Representatives, the special advisers and advisers by members of the Trusteeship Council. At its 1476th and 1477th meetings, on 13 and 14 June, the Council held a general debate on conditions in the Trust Territory.

1/ Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1977, Thirtieth Annual Report to the United Nations on the Administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1 July 1976 to 1 September 1977, 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 8860, Washington, D.C.

12. At the 1477th meeting, on 23 May, the Council appointed a Drafting Committee, composed of the representatives of France and the United Kingdom, to propose, on the basis of the 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.

/To be completed/

C. EXAMINATION OF PETITIONS

13. During the examination of the annual report on the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (T/1786) at its forty-fifth session, the Trusteeship Council heard 10 petitioners. The petitioners' requests for oral petitions had been circulated in documents T/PET.10/125 and Add.1 and 2; T/PET.10/127 and Add.1 and 2; T/PET.10/128 and Add.1; and T/PET.10/129 to T/PET.10/132 and Add.1.

14. At the same session, the Trusteeship Council had before it 27 communications which had been circulated in documents T/COM.10/L.208 to T/COM.10/L.234 under rule 24 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council.

15. The Council also examined the following written petitions circulated in accordance with rule 85, paragraph 1, of its rules of procedure:

/To be completed/

D. VISITS TO THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

United Nations Visiting Mission to Observe the Referendum
in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1978

/To be completed/

United Nations Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory
of the Pacific Islands, 1979

/To be completed/

E. ATTAINMENT OF SELF-GOVERNMENT OR INDEPENDENCE BY THE TRUST TERRITORY AND THE SITUATION IN THE TRUST TERRITORY WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES; AND 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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F. OTHER QUESTIONS CONSIDERED BY THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

Offers by Member States of study and training
facilities for inhabitants of the Trust
Territory of the Pacific Islands

16. The United Nations programme of scholarships for inhabitants of Trust Territories was initiated pursuant to 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.

/To be completed/

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

17. The annual report of the Secretary-General (T/1790) on the arrangements undertaken in co-operation with the Administering Authority 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 Territory was submitted to the Council at its forty-fifth 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.

18. The report, covering the period from 1 May 1977 to 30 April 1978, set out the activities carried out by the United Nations Office of Public Information through its information centres in Washington, D.C., in disseminating information on the United Nations.

/To be completed/

Co-operation with the Committee on the Elimination
of Racial Discrimination; and Decade for Action to
Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

/To be completed/

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-fifth session./