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QUESTION OF THE DISPOSAL OF THE FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: Proposals

Libya shall be granted independence after a period of five years. During that period it shall be administered in accordance with a United Nations trusteeship agreement. That agreement shall provide for an administrator with full executive powers to be appointed by the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations and responsible to that Council. He shall be assisted by an Advisory Committee of nine members consisting of the representatives of the United Kingdom, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, France, Italy, the United States and Egypt, and a European and two Arab residents of Libya to be appointed by the aforesaid six representatives.

The arrangements for Eritrea shall be the same as those for Libya, but in this case the Advisory Council shall consist of representatives of the United Kingdom, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, France, Italy, the United States and Ethiopia, and one European and two indigenous residents of Eritrea to be appointed by the aforesaid six representatives. A territorial concession shall, however, be made in favour of Ethiopia, providing the latter with an outlet to the sea through the port of Assab.

The same trusteeship arrangements shall be made for Italian Somaliland, but for a period of ten years. A post shall be created for an administrator, to be appointed by the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations and responsible to it, with an Advisory Committee comprising representatives of the United Kingdom, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, France, Italy, the United States and Ethiopia, and one European and two indigenous residents of Somaliland to be appointed by the representatives of the aforesaid six Governments.

In all the three colonial areas the Security Council of the United Nations may, if it deems necessary, determine the strategical points to be administered by it as strategical areas in the interests of international security.