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UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMME
FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

Report of the Fourth Committee

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1. At its 1843rd plenary meeting, on 18 September 1970, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee (A/8100), decided to include in the agenda of its twenty-fifth session and to allocate to the Fourth Committee for consideration and report, an item entitled "United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General".
2. At its 1890th meeting, on 5 November, the Fourth Committee decided that a general debate should be held covering the present item (item 69), together with eight other items on its agenda, namely 12, 13, 23, 61, 66, 67, 68 and 70. In taking this decision, it was the understanding of the Committee that individual draft resolutions on matters covered by those items would be considered separately following the conclusion of the general debate and following the hearing of petitioners who might appear before the Committee concerning those items.
3. The Fourth Committee considered the item at its 1896th, 1901st to 1909th and 1911th to 1913th meetings, between 13 November and 8 December.
4. The Fourth Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General relating to this item (A/8151).
5. The general debate covering item 69, together with the eight other items referred to in paragraph 2 above, took place at the 1901st to 1909th meetings, between 23 November and 1 December.

6. At the 1911th meeting, on 7 December, the representative of Norway introduced a draft resolution (A/C.4/L.974) which was finally sponsored by the following Member States: Afghanistan, Cameroon, Congo (Democratic Republic of), Finland, Gabon, Ghana, India, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Nigeria, Norway, People's Republic of the Congo, Sudan, Sweden, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, Yugoslavia and Zambia.

7. At the 1912th meeting, on 7 December, the Chairman drew attention to a statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.4/L.977) concerning the administrative and financial implications of the recommendations contained in the draft resolution, submitted in accordance with rule 15⁴ of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

8. At its 1913th meeting, on 8 December, the Fourth Committee adopted the draft resolution (A/C.4/L.974) by 88 votes to 2, with 1 abstention (see paragraph 9 below).

RECOMMENDATION OF THE FOURTH COMMITTEE

9. The Fourth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2349 (XXII) of 19 December 1967, 2431 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 and 2557 (XXIV) of 12 December 1969 concerning the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,^{1/}

Recalling paragraph 14 of its resolution (XXV) of 1970 concerning the question of Territories under Portuguese administration, in which it invited the Secretary-General to develop and expand training programmes for the inhabitants of those Territories,

Noting its resolution 2679 (XXV) of 9 December 1970 concerning the decision to establish a comprehensive United Nations Fund for Namibia,

^{1/} A/8151.

Noting that the financial situation has improved only slightly during 1970 and that available funds are therefore still far from adequate to meet the objectives of the Programme,

Welcomes the information that the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, established in accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution 2431 (XXIII), has commenced its work during 1970,

Strongly convinced that the provision of assistance for the education and training of persons from the Territories concerned is as essential as ever and that it is therefore highly desirable further to strengthen and expand the Programme,

1. Expresses its appreciation to all those who have contributed to the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa;

2. Strongly appeals to all States, organizations and individuals to make generous contributions to the Programme;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, within the terms of paragraph 2 of resolution 2431 (XXIII), to take all possible measures for the promotion of adequate contributions to the Programme;

4. Decides that, as a further transitional measure, provision shall be made, under section 12 of the regular budget for the financial year 1971, for an amount of \$100,000 to ensure the continuity of the Programme pending the receipt of adequate voluntary contributions;

5. Notes with approval that co-operation between the Programme and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees has been further strengthened and that it is the intention of the Secretary-General to undertake consultations with the Organization of African Unity and with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the International Labour Organisation with a view to further strengthening co-operation with them;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session on the progress of the Programme.