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 TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES BY THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND
 THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

Report of the Secretary-General

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1. The Director-General of UPU submitted to the Executive Council at its May 1980 session a report on the measures taken by the International Bureau in connexion with the "Recommendations by the United Nations concerning the implementation by the specialized agencies of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples" together with the General Assembly resolutions which the Secretary-General had transmitted to UPU concerning the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies (see enclosure).
2. At its meeting on 14 May 1980, the Executive Council took note of the report and the resolutions in question. As can be seen from the text, the report recapitulates to a large extent the information transmitted by UPU to the Secretary-General on 6 March 1980.
3. In addition, at its May 1980 session, the Executive Council of UPU made available two fellowships valued at SwF 11,000 for Palestinians and two other fellowships valued at SwF 6,000 for refugees in Africa.

Enclosure

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Relations with the United Nations and other international organizations

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Recommendations by the United Nations concerning the implementation by
the specialized agencies of the Declaration on the Granting of
Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Secretary-General's report

Every year the International Bureau informs the Executive Council of the measures it has taken in connexion with the "Recommendations by the United Nations concerning the implementation by the specialized agencies of the Declaration on the

1/ An earlier reply from UPU was submitted to the Secretary-General on 6 March 1980 (see A/35/178, sect. II).

Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples". The present document reports on what has been done about this since the last meeting of the Executive Council appointed by the Lausanne Congress.

I. ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES AND COLONIAL PEOPLES

A. Southern Africa

A consultant's mission to the Office of the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia is scheduled for 1980, in co-operation with the South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO). The purpose of the mission is to define the postal training needs of Namibians abroad and to draw up a work plan for the training activities to be undertaken subsequently.

B. Fellowships for refugees

UPU is co-operating closely with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and with the Organization of African Unity (OAU) to implement a fellowship programme for refugees from colonial countries.

C. Caribbean territories

Antigua, Belize, the Cayman Islands, Montserrat, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the British Virgin Islands are participating in regional project RLA/75/051, "Organization and development of postal services" in the Caribbean. In 1980, Antigua will host an operational staff training course for the small islands in the region.

D. Pacific territories

All the territories in the Pacific are taking part in regional project RAS/77/019, "Improvement and development of postal services" in East Asian and Pacific countries.

II. ASSISTANCE TO NEWLY INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES

A. Portuguese-speaking African countries

A rate-fixing consultant's mission, to include Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau and Sao Tome and Principe was planned for 1979; it will finally be carried out in 1980, for three months, but will involve only the administrations of Angola, Cape Verde and Guinea-Bissau.

A consultant's mission to prepare a postal development plan for Cape Verde and another to improve postal services in Mozambique have been scheduled for two months in 1980.

Regional project RAF/77/028, "Improvement of postal organization and operations, in the Portuguese-speaking countries", which began in 1978 and includes

Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Sao Tome and Principe and Mozambique, has continued through 1979 and into 1980. Those administrations are also participating in regional project RAF/78/026, "Improvement of postal services and exchanges between countries belonging to the same economic grouping and between neighbouring countries", which is also continuing.

Regional project RAF/77/027, "Organization of training services and postal instructor training", begun in 1978, comprises both French-speaking and Portuguese-speaking African countries. It will continue until September 1981. The regional expert visited Guinea-Bissau from 16 to 30 June 1979.

In Angola, country project ANG/77/PP5/C, "Assistance to postal services", continued through 1979 and into 1980 (it involves a total of 70 expert/months, 5 fellowships and equipment). Another country project, ANG/79/017, "Assistance in the administration of postal services" (20 expert/months, 1 fellowship), got under way on 1 January 1980.

Country project STP/79/002 for Sao Tome and Principe, "Assistance to postal services", which involves 6 fellowships and equipment, will not be carried out until 1980.

B. Seychelles

The postal services of the Seychelles received assistance in 1979. Project SEY/78/006, involving 12 expert/months and 1 fellowship, has been completed.

C. Comoros

A consultant's mission with the following purposes is currently in progress:

- preparation of a development master plan;
- improvement of international affairs service operations;
- formulation of a United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) project.

A three-month training fellowship under the UPU Special Fund was approved by the Executive Council in 1979 and will be used from 14 January to 13 April 1980 at the instructor's course in Abidjan.

D. Djibouti

An inspector-training fellowship (nine months) for the Abidjan School was approved by the Executive Council in 1979 under the Special Fund.

A postal planning and organization consultant's mission took place from 18 October to 21 December 1979.

E. Caribbean subregion

A two-month consultant's mission to Dominica took place in April-June 1979. It was financed by UPU with the purpose of providing advice on reorganizing the postal administration and creating a philately service.

April and May 1979 also saw a two-month consultant's mission intended to inform the postal authorities of Dominica, Grenada and St. Vincent and the Grenadines about the over-all work of UPU and to strengthen collaboration between these countries and the Union. The mission was entrusted to a senior official from St. Lucia, who was first briefed at the International Bureau. St. Lucia, which in 1979 hosted an intermediate training course for English-speaking countries and territories in the Caribbean and a course for operational staff from the small islands in the region, was awarded an instructor-training fellowship under the 1979 UPU Special Fund. Since 1976, newly independent countries in the Caribbean have been participating in a UNDP-financed regional project, RLA/75/051, "Organization and development of postal services", which involves Guyana and 15 English-speaking countries and territories in the West Indies. The project, which will be continued in 1980, involves operational and teaching activities.

F. Suriname

Project SUR/79/001, "Reorganization and improvement of postal services", which began in January 1978, involves three experts (32 months), six fellowships (20 months) and equipment. In addition, Suriname is a beneficiary of project RLA/77/011, "Improvement, development and integration of postal services" of Latin American countries, especially as regards the regional organization of routing.

G. Pacific countries

Kiribati, Nauru, the Solomon Islands and Tuvalu participate in regional project RAS/77/019 for East Asian and Pacific countries, which involves operational and training activities. In addition to action involving all the participating countries, two courses were organized in 1979 specifically for countries and territories in the Pacific.

In 1979, Kiribati also received two fellowships, one financed under project GIL/79/005 and the other under the 1979 UPU Special Fund.

Tuvalu used in 1979 a fellowship provided under project TUV/78/004; another fellowship was awarded to it from the 1979 UPU Special Fund.

III. CO-OPERATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 34/42 of 4 December 1979, the International Bureau provided the Secretary-General of the United Nations with the information he required in order to prepare a report for the bodies concerned on the measures taken by the United Nations and the specialized agencies in connexion with the problem of decolonization.

IV. RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

In accordance with article IV of the United Nations-UPU Agreement, the International Bureau is submitting to the Executive Council all United Nations General Assembly resolutions calling for the co-operation of the specialized agencies and to which the Secretary-General has called our particular attention.

Number of resolution	Title of resolution	Number of the paragraphs in the operative clauses concerning the specialized agencies in particular
34/34	Question of Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, Montserrat and the Turks and Caicos Islands	para. 10
34/35	Question of American Samoa	para. 7
34/36	Question of the United States Virgin Islands	para. 8
34/39	Question of Guam	para. 12
34/41	Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, <u>apartheid</u> and racial discrimination in southern Africa	para. 22
34/42	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations	para. 14
34/92	Question of Namibia	part C, paras. 1 and 2 part D, para. 4 part F, para. 2
34/93	Policies of <u>apartheid</u> of the Government of South Africa	part A, para. 15 part C, para. 4 part J, para. 11 part L, para. 7 part M, para. 1 part R, para. 3
34/94	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples	para. 6
34/95	Dissemination of information on decolonization	para. 4

The Executive Council is requested to take note of this document.

Berne, 11 March 1980

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