2322 (XXII). Credentials of representatives to the twenty-second session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.6

1635th plenary meeting. 16 December 1967.

2324 (XXII). Question of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966, by which it terminated the Mandate for South West Africa and decided, inter alia, that South Africa has no other right to administer the Territory and that henceforth South West Africa comes under the direct responsibility of the United Nations,

Gravely concerned about the arrest, deportation and trial at Pretoria of thirty-seven South West Africans by the South African authorities in flagrant violation of their rights and of the aforementioned resolution,

Recalling further the resolution adopted on 12 September 1967 by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples⁷ and also the consensus adopted by the United Nations Council for South West Africa on 27 November 1967,8

Conscious of the special responsibilities of the United Nations towards the people and Territory of South West Africa,

- 1. Condemns the illegal arrest, deportation and trial at Pretoria of the thirty-seven South West Africans as a flagrant violation by the Government of South Africa of their rights, of the international status of the Territory and of General Assembly resolution 2145 (XXI);
- 2. Calls upon the Government of South Africa to discontinue forthwith this illegal trial and to release and repatriate the South West Africans concerned;
- 3. Appeals to all States and international organizations to use their influence with the Government of South Africa in order to obtain its compliance with the provisions of paragraph 2 above;
- 4. Draws the attention of the Security Council to the present resolution;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to report as soon as possible to the Security Council, the General Assembly, the United Nations Council for South West Africa and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples on the implementation of the present resolution.

1635th plenary meeting, 16 December 1967.

⁶ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-second Session, Annexes, agenda item 3, document A/6990.

2325 (XXII). Question of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the United Nations Council for South West Africa,9

Reaffirming the inalienable right of the people of South West Africa to freedom and independence in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, which contains the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

Reaffirming its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966, by which it terminated the Mandate for South West Africa and decided, inter alia, that South Africa has no other right to administer the Territory and that henceforth South West Africa comes under the direct responsibility of the United Nations,

Reaffirming also its resolution 2248 (S-V) of 19 May 1967, and particularly paragraph 5 of section IV thereof.

Taking note of the refusal of the Government of South Africa to co-operate with the United Nations in the implementation of resolutions 2145 (XXI) and 2248 (S-V), as indicated in its communication of 26 September 1967 addressed to the Secretary-General, 10

- 1. Notes with appreciation the report of the United Nations Council for South West Africa and the Council's efforts to discharge the responsibilities and functions entrusted to it;
- 2. Requests the United Nations Council for South West Africa to fulfill by every available means the mandate entrusted to it by the General Assembly;
- 3. Condemns the refusal of the Government of South Africa to comply with General Assembly resolutions 2145 (XXI) and 2248 (S-V), which provide for granting the people of South West Africa an opportunity to exercise their inalienable right to freedom and independence;
- 4. Declares that the continued presence of South African authorities in South West Africa is a flagrant violation of its territorial integrity and international status as determined by General Assembly resolution 2145 (XXI), as well as of the terms of General Assembly resolution 2248 (S-V);
- 5. Calls upon the Government of South Africa to withdraw from the Territory of South West Africa, unconditionally and without delay, all its military and police forces and its administration, to release all political prisoners and to allow all political refugees who are natives of the Territory to return to it;
- 6. Urgently appeals to all Member States, particularly the main trading partners of South Africa and those which have economic and other interests in South Africa and South West Africa, to take effective economic and other measures designed to ensure the immediate withdrawal of the South African administration from the Territory of South West Africa, thereby clearing the way for the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 2145 (XXI) and 2248 (S-V);
- 7. Requests the Security Council to take effective steps to enable the United Nations to fulfil the responsibilities it has assumed with respect to South West Africa;

⁷ Ibid., addendum to agenda item 23 (A/6700/Rev.1), chapter IV, para. 232.

⁸ Ibid., agenda item 64, document A/6919.

⁹ Ibid., document A/6897.

¹⁰ Ibid., document A/6822.