

of the progress achieved in the Non-Self-Governing Territories since the establishment of the United Nations, based on the information received from the Administering Members under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations, would be highly desirable and should make it possible to ascertain the extent to which the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories are advancing towards the attainment of the goals set in Chapter XI of the Charter,

*Further recalling* its resolution 1053 (XI) of 20 February 1957, in which it invited the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the specialized agencies concerned, to prepare a report on the progress that has taken place in the Non-Self-Governing Territories in those fields on which information has been transmitted, in accordance with the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter, since the establishment of the United Nations,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* of the work of the Secretary-General and of the specialized agencies in preparing the report on the progress achieved by the Non-Self-Governing Territories;<sup>23</sup>

2. *Requests* the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories to examine the above-mentioned report at its next session, in addition to its regular programme of work, with a view to ascertaining the progress made by the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the light of the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations;

3. *Further requests* the Committee to submit its observations and conclusions on the report to the General Assembly at its fifteenth session, in order to assist the Assembly in its consideration of the report;

4. *Requests* the Committee, in so doing, to be guided by the terms of all relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular resolutions 932 (X) and 1053 (XI), as well as by the provisions of Chapter XI of the Charter.

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12 December 1959.*

#### **1462 (XIV). Report on educational conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories**

*The General Assembly,*

*Considering* that, by resolution 445 (V) of 12 December 1950, it approved the special report on educational conditions prepared in 1950 by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories<sup>24</sup> as a brief but considered indication of the importance of educational advancement and of the problems of education still to be faced in the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

*Considering* that, by resolution 743 (VIII) of 27 November 1953, it approved a further report on education<sup>25</sup> as a supplement to the report approved in 1950,

<sup>23</sup> A/4105-A/4109, A/4114, A/4124, A/4128 and Corr.1, A/4129, A/4131, A/4134, A/4136, A/4137, A/4142, A/4144, A/4152, A/4162 and Corr.1, A/4165-A/4167, A/4178, A/4181, A/4192-A/4195.

<sup>24</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/1303/Rev.1), part two.*

<sup>25</sup> *Ibid., Eighth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/2465), part two.*

*Considering* that, by resolution 1048 (XI) of 20 February 1957, it approved another report on education drawn up in 1956,<sup>26</sup>

*Noting* the report on educational conditions prepared in 1959 by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories,<sup>27</sup>

1. *Approves* the report on educational conditions prepared in 1959 by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories, and considers that it should be studied in conjunction with the reports approved in 1950, 1953 and 1957;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General to communicate the 1959 report to Member States responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the Economic and Social Council, to the regional economic commissions, to the Trusteeship Council and to the specialized agencies concerned, for their consideration;

3. *Expresses its confidence* that the Members responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories will bring the report to the attention of the authorities responsible for education in those Territories.

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12 December 1959.*

#### **1463 (XIV). Development of primary education in Non-Self-Governing Territories**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the obligations which, under Article 73 of the Charter of the United Nations, are incumbent upon Members administering Territories whose peoples have not yet attained a full measure of self-government to ensure, with due respect for the culture of the peoples concerned, their political, economic, social, and educational advancement, their just treatment, and their protection against abuses,

*Considering* in the spirit of those principles that, in order to develop primary education and to combat illiteracy among the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories, the Administering Members should endeavour to create in those Territories conditions which are not less favourable than those enjoyed by the peoples of the advanced countries,

*Reaffirming* its resolutions 743 (VIII) of 27 November 1953 and 1049 (XI) of 20 February 1957, by which it recommended, *inter alia*, the establishment or extension of universal, free and compulsory primary education in the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

*Noting*, ten years after the adoption of resolution 330 (IV) of 2 December 1949 in which the General Assembly recognized that one of the fundamental problems in Non-Self-Governing Territories is illiteracy, that the progress made in this field has been very slow,

*Having noted* that, in its report on educational conditions, the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories was obliged to reiterate the view expressed in 1950 that the eradication of illiteracy is a problem of the utmost urgency in the majority of the Non-Self-Governing Territories,<sup>28</sup>

1. *Recommends* that the Administering Members take all necessary steps to develop the primary education

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid., Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/3127), part two.*

<sup>27</sup> *Ibid., Fourteenth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/4111), part two.*

<sup>28</sup> *Ibid., part two, para. 44.*

of the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the end that such education may be raised as soon as possible to the level enjoyed by the peoples of the advanced countries;

2. *Invites* the Administering Members to communicate to the Secretary-General, for the seventeenth session of the General Assembly, information on the measures taken and the progress achieved towards the establishment of universal, free and compulsory primary education, with the aim of eradicating illiteracy among the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories which they administer.

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12 December 1959.*

**1464 (XIV). Equal treatment in matters relating to education in Non-Self-Governing Territories**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 328 (IV) of 2 December 1949 on equal treatment in matters relating to education in Non-Self-Governing Territories, and all other relevant resolutions,

*Having regard* to the fundamental importance of race relations, particularly under modern conditions, for the attainment of the objectives of Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Having considered* the special report submitted by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories,<sup>29</sup>

*Recognizing* that some progress has been achieved in equal treatment in matters relating to education in Non-Self-Governing Territories,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 328 (IV);

2. *Urges* the Administering Members to intensify their efforts to fulfil the basic objectives of the above-mentioned resolution;

3. *Endorses* the view expressed by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories that on no ground whatsoever can education on a racial basis be justified;<sup>30</sup>

4. *Requests* the Committee to pay special attention to this matter and to continue to bring out the salient facts in its annual report on conditions in the Non-Self-Governing Territories.

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**1465 (XIV). Dissemination of information on the United Nations in the Non-Self-Governing Territories**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the obligations of Member States, enumerated in Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations, which have or assume responsibilities for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories towards the inhabitants of these Territories,

*Reiterating* the principle that the interests of the inhabitants of these Territories are paramount,

*Considering* it necessary that the political, economic, social and educational advancement of these inhabitants, as envisaged in the Charter, should be accelerated,

<sup>29</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 30-38.

<sup>30</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 37.

*Recalling* the principle underlying the public information activities of the United Nations that the Organization cannot achieve the purposes for which it has been created unless the peoples of the world are informed of its aims and activities,

*Considering therefore* that it is important that the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories be widely informed concerning the United Nations,

1. *Requests* the Administering Members to adopt necessary measures for the dissemination of information concerning the United Nations among the inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories and for this purpose to seek the active support and participation of the organizations representative of these inhabitants;

2. *Invites the attention* of Administering Members to the recommendations contained in paragraph 54 of part two of the 1959 report of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories,<sup>31</sup> and requests them to furnish the Secretary-General with information concerning the implementation of the recommendations;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare for the fifteenth session of the General Assembly a special report on the present state of the dissemination of information concerning the United Nations in Non-Self-Governing Territories, and on further measures necessary to this end.

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**1466 (XIV). Participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 566 (VI) of 18 January 1952, and in particular:

(a) The first preambular paragraph, in which it noted the Secretary-General's proposal concerning the use of the United Nations to promote by peaceful means the progress of dependent peoples to a position of equality with Member States of the United Nations,

(b) The fourth preambular paragraph, in which it stated that the direct association of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies is an effective means of promoting the progress of the peoples of those Territories towards a position of equality with Member States of the United Nations,

(c) Operative paragraph 2, in which it commended the use of the special provisions in the constitutions of some of the specialized agencies and of the regional economic commissions of the United Nations permitting the admission of the Non-Self-Governing Territories to those agencies and commissions as associate members, on the proposal of the Administering Member concerned,

*Recalling* its resolutions 647 (VII) of 10 December 1952 and 744 (VIII) of 27 November 1953, in which it reaffirmed the provisions of the above-mentioned resolution and expressly invited the Member States administering Non-Self-Governing Territories progressively to increase the participation of indigenous representatives from those Territories in the work of the technical organs of the United Nations, including the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories and the specialized agencies,

<sup>31</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 15 (A/4111).