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INFORMATION FROM NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES
TRANSMITTED UNDER ARTICLE 73 e OF THE CHARTER
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Report of the Secretary-General

- 1. Under the terms of Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations, Member States which have or assume responsibilities for the administration of Territories whose peoples have not yet attained a full measure of self-government undertake to transmit regularly to the Secretary-General information relating to economic, social and educational conditions in the Territories for which they are responsible, other than those Territories to which the International Trusteeship System applies. In addition, the General Assembly in several resolutions, the most recent of which was resolution 35/26 of 11 November 1980, requested the administering Powers concerned "to transmit, or continue to transmit, to the Secretary-General the information prescribed in Article 73 e of the Charter, as well as the fullest possible information on political and constitutional developments in the Territories concerned".
- 2. The table annexed to the present report shows the dates on which information called for under Article 73 e of the Charter was transmitted to the Secretary-General in respect of the years 1979 and 1980 up to 30 September 1981.
- 3. The information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter follows in general the standard form approved by the General Assembly and includes information on the geography, history, population, economic, social and educational conditions. In the case of Territories under the administration of Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, the annual reports on the Territories also include information on constitutional matters. Additional information on political and constitutional developments in Territories under their administration is given by the representatives of Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States during meetings of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples. Supplementary information is also made available by the

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United Kingdom and the United States concerning Territories under their administration.

4. In compliance with the provisions of paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 1970 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963 and other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, including in particular resolution 35/26, the Secretariat has continued to use the information transmitted in the preparation of working papers on each Territory for the Special Committee. This information is reflected in the chapters of the Special Committee's report to the General Assembly at its current session dealing with each of these Territories (A/36/23 (Parts I-VII)). The report also contains an account of the action taken by the Special Committee in implementation of resolution 1970 (XVIII) (A/36/23 (Part III), chap. VII).

ANNEX

Dates of transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations for 1979 and 1980 a/

	1979	1980
AUSTRALIA (1 July-30 June) b/		
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	11 April 1980	5 December 1980
NEW ZEALAND (1 April-31 March) c/		
Tokelau	31 July 1980	29 July 1981
PORTUGAL		
East Timor <u>d</u> /		_
SPAIN (calendar year)		
Western Sahara <u>e</u> /	—	_ ·
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (calendar year)		
Antigua <u>f</u> /	-	- ·
Bermuda	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
British Virgin Islands	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
Brunei <u>g</u> /		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Cayman Islands	23 July 1980	20 July 1981
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
Gibraltar	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
Montserrat	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
Pitcairn	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
St. Helena <u>c</u> /	23 July 1980	30 July 1981
St. Kitts-Nevis and Anguilla $\underline{\mathbf{f}}/$	- *	- · · ·
Turks and Caicos Islands	23 July 1980	30 July 1981

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (1 July-30 June) b/

American Samoa h/ 15 February 1980

27 February 1981

Guam

22 February 1980

27 February 1981

United States Virgin Islands

25 March 1980

27 February 1981

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- $\underline{d}/$ On 13 May 1980 and 26 March 1981, the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations informed the Secretary-General that the Portuguese Government had nothing to add to the information already provided by that Mission in its note of 6 April 1979 (A/34/311), as required by Article 73 \underline{e} of the Charter of the United Nations (see A/35/233 and A/36/160). In that note, the Permanent Representative of Portugal had stated that the conditions still prevailing in that Territory had prevented his Government from assuming its responsibilities for the administration of East Timor.
- e/ On 26 February 1976, the Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations informed the Secretary-General that "the Spanish Government, as of today, definitely terminates its presence in the Territory of the Sahara and deems it necessary to place the following on record: ... Spain considers itself henceforth exempt from any responsibility of an international nature in connexion with the administration of the Territory, in view of the cessation of its participation in the temporary administration established for the Territory ..." (A/31/56-S/11997). For the printed text, see Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-first Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1976.
- f/ At previous sessions of the General Assembly, the United Kingdom had declared that, having achieved the status of Associated State, this Territory had attained "a full measure of self-government" and, consequently, the transmission of information thereon was, in its view, no longer appropriate (see also documents A/AC.109/341, A/C.4/725, A/AC.109/PV.762 and Corr.1, Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-second Session, Fourth Committee, 1752nd meeting and ibid., Twenty-fourth Session, Fourth Committee, 1867th meeting).

a/ For a preliminary list of Territories to which the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV)) applies, see Official Records of the General Assembly Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/5514), part one, annex II.

 $[\]underline{b}/$ Period extends from 1 July of the previous year to 30 June of the year listed.

 $[\]underline{c}$ / Period extends from 1 April of the year listed to 31 March of the following year.

g/ On 18 September 1972, the Government of the United Kingdom notified the Secretary-General that this Territory had attained full internal self-government and, consequently, the transmission of information thereon was, in its view, no longer appropriate.

 $[\]underline{h}/$ The territorial Government has changed its fiscal year from 1 July-30 June to 1 October-30 September.