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PRESENTED TO THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

SUBMITTED BY THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS

Chairman: Mr. LIN MOUSHENG (China)

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 1

Petition from Raja Mahendra Pratap concerning the Trust Territory of Tanganyika.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, acting under Article 87b of the Charter, has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, accepted and examined in consultation with the United Kingdom as the Administering Authority concerned, the petition signed by Raja Mahendra Pratap, Brindaban, India, set forth in document T/PET.2/30, dated 5 May 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 11 July 1947.

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NOTES that the subject-matter of the petition involves the problem of the establishment of a Jewish state, which question has been dealt with by the General Assembly of the United Nations in its resolution of 29 November 1947;

DECIDES that no action is required by the Trusteeship Council on this petition and invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 2

Petition from H. Arnesen concerning the Trust Territory of Tanganyika.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, considered in consultation with the United Kingdom as the Administering Authority concerned, the petition signed by H. Arnesen, Moshi, Tanganyika, set forth in document T/PET.2/31, dated 27 May 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 7 July 1947.

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CONSIDERS that no action is possible on this petition because the matter complained of is not set forth in sufficiently precise terms, and invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure, advising the petitioner at the same time that he is entitled under the Charter and the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council to submit a new petition of a more detailed nature for the Council's consideration at a subsequent session.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 3

Petitions concerning the Draft Convention concerning Social Policy in Non-Metropolitan Territories.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, considered the following petitions:

1. Petition from the British Commonwealth League, London, England, dated 28 March 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 3).
2. Petition from the Open Door International, Egehoj, Denmark, dated 18 April 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 4).
3. Petition from the Open Door International, Belgian Branch, Brussels, Belgium, dated 23 April 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 5).
4. Petition from the National Union of Women Teachers, South Kensington, England, dated 18 April 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 6).
5. Petition from the Open Door Council, Buckinghamshire, England, dated April 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 8).
6. Petition from the Women's International Democratic Federation, Paris, France, dated 22 May 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 9).

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NOTES the action already taken by the International Labour Conference on the subject-matter involved in these petitions, and

DECIDES that no further action is called for by the Trusteeship Council and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioners of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 4

Petitions concerning an international control and administration of the Polar Regions by the Trusteeship Council.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with
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its Rules of Procedure, considered the following petitions:

1. Petition from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Geneva, Switzerland, dated 2 June 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 15).
2. Petition from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Copenhagen, Denmark, dated 30 August 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 16).
3. Petition from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Helsinki, Finland, dated 13 September 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 18).

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DECIDES that no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on these petitions and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioners of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure and to advise them of the appropriate procedure to be followed with regard to the subject-matter of their petitions.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 5

Petition concerning the establishment of an international control of strategic areas.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, considered the petition from the International Service Seminar, Indian Mountain School, Lakeville, Connecticut, dated 9 August 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 17).

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DECIDES that no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on this petition and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioners of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure and to advise them of the appropriate procedure to be followed with regard to the subject-matter of their petition.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 6

Petition concerning the establishment of an international control of production and distribution of strategic raw materials.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, considered the petition from the International Service Seminar, Indian Mountain School, Lakeville, Connecticut, dated 9 August 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 11).

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DECIDES that no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on this petition and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioners of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure and to advise them of the appropriate procedure to be followed with regard to the subject-matter of their petition.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 7

Petitions concerning former Italian colonies.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, considered the following petitions:

1. Petition from the Somali Young League, Mogadishu, Somaliland, dated 18 July 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 12).
2. Petition from the Pro-Italy Association of War Veterans of Eritrea Keren, Eritrea, dated 31 July 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 13).
3. Petition from the New Eritrea Pro-Italy Party, Asmara, Eritrea, dated 20 October 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 19).

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DECIDES that no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on these petitions and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioners of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure and to call to the attention of the petitioners that the question concerning the former Italian colonies contained in these petitions is being dealt with by the Council of Foreign Ministers and that a committee of investigation of that Council is at present visiting these territories.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 8

Petition concerning modifications of Articles 75 and 87 of the Charter of the United Nations.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, acting under Article 87b of the Charter, has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, accepted and examined the petition from the International Service Seminar, Indian Mountain School, Lakeville, Connecticut, dated 4 August 1947, (document T/PET/GENERAL 10), in so far as it relates to the modification of Article 81 of the Charter.

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NOTES that this petition requests a revision of the Charter, which may be undertaken only by a procedure as laid down in Chapter XVIII of the
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Charter of the United Nations, bearing in mind, however, that the proposal to modify Article 73 of the Charter does not relate to the operation of the International Trusteeship System; and

DECIDES that no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on this petition and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioners of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure and to advise them of the appropriate procedure to be followed with regard to the subject-matter of their petition.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 9

Petition concerning a plan for Universal Colonial and Mandate Trusteeship under the United Nations.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, considered the petition signed by Charles Pelton, Washington, Connecticut, dated 28 March 1947 (document T/PET/GENERAL 14).

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DECIDES that no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council and invites the Secretary-General to inform the petitioner of this decision in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure and to advise him of the appropriate procedure to be followed with regard to the subject-matter of his petition.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 10

Petitions presented to the Trusteeship Council by residents and former residents of Tanganyika of German nationality.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, acting under Article 87b of the Charter, has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, accepted and examined in consultation with the United Kingdom as the Administering Authority concerned, the following petitions:

1. Petition signed by H. von Strenge, dated 14 April 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 2 June 1947 (document T/PET.2/25).
2. Petition signed by Franz Dullens, dated 30 March 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 2 June 1947 (document T/PET.2/24).
3. Petition signed by Franz Dullens, dated 20 October 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 8 November 1947 (document T/PET.2/41).
4. Petition signed by Franz Leder, dated 21 September 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 22 October 1947 (document T/PET.2/36).

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5. Petition signed by Johannes Schoenfeldt, dated 29 July 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 23 September 1947 (document T/PET.2/34).

6. Petition signed by Johannes Schoenfeldt, dated 29 August 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 29 September 1947 (document T/PET.2/35).

7. Petition signed by Alfons Burger, dated 29 September 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 3 November 1947 (document T/PET.2/39).

Mr. Ian Watt of the Colonial Office was duly designated as a special representative of the Administering Authority for the examination of the petitions herein enumerated.

The Trusteeship Council took note of the statement of the representative of the United Kingdom that the Administering Authority was prepared to have the petitions set forth in documents T/PET.2/34, T/PET.2/35, T/PET.2/36, T/PET.2/39 and T/PET.2/41 considered at a shorter notice than is prescribed in Rule 86 Paragraph 1 of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

The Council examined each petition and considered observations submitted with regard to each such petition by the Government of the United Kingdom (document T/71).

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

1. NOTES that all of the above-mentioned petitions concern German residents and former residents of Tanganyika who have been dealt with or who will be dealt with in accordance with the repatriation policy of the Administering Authority, which was fully explained to the Council during its first session;

2. NOTES that the questions raised in the petitions relate to the implementation of the previously stated policy which received the general approval of the Council in resolution No. 5 of 28 April 1947 adopted by the Council at its first session; and

3. REAFFIRMS its approval of the policy of the Administering Authority with regard to the subject-matter of the petitions; and

4. DECIDES that under the circumstances no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on the petitions listed in this resolution and invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioners of this resolution in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 11

Petitions presented to the Trusteeship Council by former residents of

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Tanganyika and Cameroons under British administration of German and Italian nationality.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, acting under Article 87b of the Charter, has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, accepted and examined in consultation with the United Kingdom as the Administering Authority concerned, the following petitions:

1. Petition signed by Mrs. K. Maier, dated 7 May 1947, transmitted to the Administering Authority on 27 May 1947 (document T/PET.2/28).
2. Petition signed by Mrs. K. Maier, dated 6 June 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 7 July 1947 (document T/PET.2/32).
3. Petition signed by Mrs. K. Maier, dated 12 July 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 22 August 1947 (document T/PET.2/33).
4. Petition signed by Mrs. K. Maier, dated 28 September 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 22 October 1947 (document T/PET.2/37).
5. Petition signed by Adolf S. Wildberg, dated 28 April 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 28 July 1947 (document T/PET.2/29).
6. Petition from the Oversea Settlers Association, dated 30 May 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 14 July 1947 (document T/PET.4/1).
7. Petition signed by F. M. Ferrari, dated 22 September 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 3 November 1947 (document T/PET.2/38).

Mr. Ian Watt of the Colonial Office was duly designated as a special representative of the Administering Authority for the examination of the petitions herein enumerated.

The Trusteeship Council took note of the statement of the representative of the United Kingdom that the Administering Authority was prepared to have the petitions set forth in documents T/PET.2/37 and T/PET.2/38 considered at a shorter notice than is prescribed in Rule 86 Paragraph 1 of the Rules of Procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

The Council considered observations submitted by the Government of the United Kingdom (document T/71) on the petitions set forth in documents T/PET.2/28, T/PET.2/32, T/PET.2/33, T/PET.2/37 and T/PET.2/29.

The Council took note of the statement of the United Kingdom with respect to the petition presented by Mrs. Maier that the petitioner's husband was since 1934 a member of the Nazi party and that he gave clear evidence of his political sympathies by applying for repatriation to Germany in January 1941.

The Council also noted that arrangements had been made for Mrs. Maier to draw upon the balance, if any, of her husband's assets after meeting

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claims against them, for her own support and that of her children, and that the Government of Tanganyika was to provide her with maintenance from public funds if this became necessary.

Therefore THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

1. NOTES that the questions raised in the petitions concern the repatriation policy of the Administering Authority and that the decisions taken by it were in accord with the principles stated in Resolutions No. 5 and 6 of 28 April 1947 adopted by the Council at its first session;
2. NOTES the statement of the representative of the Administering Authority that the attention of the Tanganyika Government will be again called to resolution No. 5 which contains the assurance of the Administering Authority that in implementing its repatriation policy necessary steps will be taken in order that family units may be kept together;
3. DECIDES that under the circumstances no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on the petitions listed in this resolution and invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and petitioners of this resolution in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure.

PETITIONS SERIES: RESOLUTION NO. 12

Petition presented to the Trusteeship Council by a former resident of Tanganyika.

THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, acting under Article 87b of the Charter, has, at its second session, in conformity with its Rules of Procedure, accepted and examined in consultation with the United Kingdom as the Administering Authority concerned, the petition signed by Dr. Eric Simenauer, dated 31 March 1947, received by the Administering Authority on 12 June 1947 (document T/PET.2/26).

Mr. Ian Watt of the Colonial Office was duly designated as a special representative of the Administering Authority for the examination of this petition.

The Council considered observations submitted by the Government of the United Kingdom (document T/71) with respect to this petition.

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1. NOTES the statement of the representative of the United Kingdom that the Tanganyika Government has decided to allow the petitioner to

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return to the Trust Territory of Tanganyika;

2. DECIDES that under the circumstances no action is called for by the Trusteeship Council on this petition and invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with Rule 93 of the Rules of Procedure.
