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

Cessation of the transmission of information under
Article 73 e of the Charter

Communication from the Government of the United States of America
concerning Alaska and Hawaii

Argentina, Canada, Federation of Malaya, Honduras, Iraq, Japan,
Liberia and Sweden: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling that, by resolution 222 (III) of 3 November 1948, the General Assembly, while welcoming any development of self-government in Non-Self-Governing Territories, considers it essential that the United Nations be informed of any change in the constitutional status of any such Territory as a result of which the responsible Government concerned thinks it unnecessary to transmit information in respect of that Territory under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations,

Having received from the Government of the United States of America communications dated 2 June 1959 and 17 September 1959 informing the Secretary-General that Alaska and Hawaii, respectively, have, as a result of their admission into the United States as the forty-ninth and fiftieth states, attained a full measure of self-government and that, as a consequence of this change in their constitutional status, the United States Government would cease to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of Alaska and Hawaii,

Having examined the communication of the Government of the United States in the light of the basic principles and objectives embodied in Chapter XI of the Charter and of all the other elements of judgement pertinent to the issue,

1. Takes note of the opinion of the Government of the United States that owing to the new constitutional status of Alaska and Hawaii, it is no longer appropriate or necessary for it to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of Alaska and Hawaii;

2. Expresses the opinion that, from the documentation and the explanations provided, the people of Alaska and Hawaii have effectively exercised their right of self-determination and have freely chosen their present status;

3. Congratulates the United States and the people of Alaska and Hawaii upon the attainment of a full measure of self-government by the people of these two Territories;

4. Considers that, owing to the circumstances referred to, the Declaration regarding Non-Self-Governing Territories and the provisions established under it in Chapter XI of the Charter can no longer be applied to Alaska and Hawaii;

5. Considers it appropriate that the transmission of information in respect of Alaska and Hawaii under Article 73 e of the Charter should cease.
