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PETITION FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ABOLITIONIST FEDERATION CONCERNING TRUST TERRITORIES IN GENERAL (T/PET.GENERAL/24)

112th report of the Standing Committee on Petitions

Chairman: Mr. Salah Eddine Tarazi (Syria)

- 1. At its 235th and 236th meetings on 28 February and 3 March 1955, the Standing Committee on Petitions, composed of the representatives of Belgium, France, India, Syria, and Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and the United States of America, examined the following petition concerning Trust Territories in general.
- 2. The Standing Committee submits herewith to the Council its report on this petition and recommends, in accordance with rule 90, paragraph 6 of the Council's rules of procedure, that the Council decide that no special information is required concerning the action taken on the resolution.
- 3. Petition from the International Abolitionist Federation (T/PET.GENERAL/24)
 The petition contains the text of a resolution adopted by the International
 Committee of the International Abolitionist Federation at its annual session
 held on 14-15 May 1954 at Paris. The resolution takes note of a draft
 resolution 1/2 on marriage and related problems, submitted by the Commission on the
 Status of Women to the Economic and Social Council, and expresses the view that
 freedom in the choice of the spouse, abolition of the bride price, registration
 of marriage and divorce, and social measures to facilitate marriage should be
 recommended to the competent authorities.

^{1/} See resolution 547 H (XVIII) of the Economic and Social Council.

- 4. The petition was examined and discussed at the 235th and 236th meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.235 and 236).
- 5. At its 236th meeting, the Committee unanimously adopted the following draft resolution, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

Resolution proposed by the Committee:

Petition from the International Abolitionist Federation (T/PET.GENERAL/24)
The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from the International Abolitionist Federation concerning Trust Territories in general (T/PET.GENERAL/24, T/L.547);

Takes note of the resolution adopted by the International Committee of the International Abolitionist Federation at its annual session held on 14 and 15 May 1954 at Paris.