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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF  
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 13th MEETING

Held at Headquarters, New York,  
on Friday, 9 July 1999, at 10 a.m.

Chairman:

Mr. DONIGI

(Papua New Guinea)

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The meeting was called to order at 10.35 a.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. The agenda was adopted.

REQUESTS FOR HEARINGS (aide mémoire 17/99)

2. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to a request for hearing from the Government of the United States Virgin Islands (aide-mémoire 17/99) and took it that the Committee wished to accede to that request.

3. It was so decided.

QUESTION OF SENDING VISITING MISSIONS TO TERRITORIES (A/AC.109/1999/L.8)

4. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to draft resolution A/AC.109/1999/L.8, which concerned, inter alia, sending a visiting mission to Guam, and took it that the Committee wished to adopt it.

5. It was so decided.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE (aide-mémoire 10/99/Rev.1)

6. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to aide-mémoire 10/99/Rev.1, containing a revised list of pending matters for inclusion in the draft report of the Special Committee.

7. Mr. YOUSEFI (Islamic Republic of Iran) said that the words "in this connection" at the beginning of the fifth sentence of paragraph 4 of the aide-mémoire should be replaced by the words "in addition".

8. Aide-mémoire 10/99/Rev.1, as orally revised, was adopted.

The meeting was suspended at 10.45 a.m. and resumed at noon.

QUESTION OF NEW CALEDONIA (A/AC.109/1999/L.14)

9. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to the text of a draft resolution on the question of New Caledonia (A/AC.109/1999/L.14 and suggested that the Committee should waive the 24-hour requirement for the submission of proposals under rule 120 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

10. It was so decided.

11. Mr. RABUKA (Fiji), introducing draft resolution A/AC.109/1999/L.14, said that it was virtually the same as the previous year's resolution and, as before, was the result of a consensus between the delegations of Fiji, Papua New Guinea and France, reflecting the desire of the Front de libération nationale kanak socialiste (FLNKS) and the people of New Caledonia for the Special Committee to continue its oversight of the Matignon process in the Territory. He therefore urged the Special Committee to adopt the draft resolution by consensus.

12. Draft resolution A/AC.109/1999/L.14 was adopted.

The meeting rose at 12.10 p.m.