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

TERRITORIES NOT CONSIDERED SEPARATELY

Report of the Fourth Committee

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- 1. At its 165th meeting, on 20 September 1967, the General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the inclusion in the agenda of an item entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report 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". At its 167th meeting, on 22 September, the General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly the allocation to the Fourth Committee of all the chapters of the report of the Special Committee relating to specific Territories.
- 2. At its 1564th plenary meeting, on 23 September, the General Assembly, by adopting the recommendations of the General Committee (A/6840), included the item in its agenda and allocated to the Fourth Committee those chapters of the report of the Special Committee relating to specific Territories.
- 3. At its 1706th meeting, on 31 October, the Fourth Committee decided to consider, as one item, the chapters of the Special Committee's report concerning the Territories which it would not be considering separately. The Territories concerned and the relevant chapters of the Special Committee's report are set out below:

Equatorial Guinea (A/6700/Add.6. chapter VIII) Ifni and Spanish Sahara (A/6700/Add.7, chapter IX) Gibraltar (A/6700/Add.9. chapter X)Swaziland (A/6700/Add.10, chapter XI) French Somaliland (A/6700/Add.ll, chapter XII) Oman (A/6700/Add.12, chapter XIII) Mauritius, Seychelles and St. Helena (A/6700/Add.8, chapter XIV)Gilbert and Ellice Islands. Pitcairn and the Solomon Islands (A/6700/Add.13. chapter XV) Niue and the Tokelau Islands (A/6700/Add.13, chapter XVI) New Hebrides (A/6700/Add.13, chapter XVII)American Samoa and Guam (A/6700/Add.13, chapter XVIII) Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (A/6700/Add.13, chapter XIX) Trust Territory of Nauru, Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea, and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (A/6700/Add.13. chapter XX)Brunei (A/6700/Add.13, chapter XXI) Hong Kong (A/6700/Add.13, chapter XXII) United States Virgin Islands, British Virgin Islands, Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia and St. Vincent, Bermuda, Bahamas. Montserrat, Turks and Caicos Islands and Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands (Malvinas), British Honduras

- The Committee considered this item at its 1719th, 1737th, 1741st to 1743rd 4. and 1745th to 1755th meetings, between 15 November and 16 December.
- At the 1741st meeting, on 7 December, the Rapporteur 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 introduced the relevant chapters of the reports of that Committee concerning this item, as listed above.

(A/6700/Add.14, chapter XXIII)

- 6. The Fourth Committee had before it the following communications addressed to the Secretary-General:
- (a) Letter dated 3 February 1967 from the Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations concerning the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (A/6661);
- (b) Letter dated 3 February 1967 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations concerning the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (A/6662);
- (c) Letter dated 18 September 1967 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations concerning Equatorial Guinea (A/6802);
- (d) Letter dated 28 September 1967 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations concerning British Honduras (A/6845);
- (e) Letter dated 25 October 1967 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations concerning Gibraltar (A/6876);
- (f) Letter dated 30 October 1967 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations concerning Gibraltar (A/6882);
- (g) Letter dated 14 December 1967 from the Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations concerning the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (A/C.4/703);
- (h) Letter dated 14 December 1967 from the Permanent Representative of the Uni+ed Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations concerning the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (A/C.4/704).
- 7. In connexion with the consideration of this item, the Committee granted the following requests for hearings:

Petitioner	Territories concerned	Meeting at which the request for hearing was granted
Mr. Philip S.W. Goldson, Leader of the Opposition, British Honduras (A/C.4/694)	British Honduras	1699th
Mr. Saturnino Ibongo Iyanga, <u>Movimiento Nacional de Liberación</u> <u>de la Guinea Ecuatorial</u> (MONALIGE) (A/C.4/695)	Equatorial Guinea	1699th

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Petitioner	Territories concerned	Meeting at which the request for hearing was granted
Mr. George Price, Party Leader, People's United Party (A/C.4/694/Add.1)	British Honduras	1727th
Mr. Jeremiah Gumbs and Mr. Roger Fisher (A/C.4/694/Add.2)	Anguilla	1730th
Mr. Donald A. Halstead, Vice-President, Antigua Workers' Union (A/C.4/694/Add.3)	Antigua	1738th
Sir Joshua Hassan, Association for the Advancement of Civil Rights, and Mr. Peter Isola, Independent Parliamentary Group, elected members, Legislative Council, Gibraltar (A/C.4/702)	Gibraltar	1744th
Mr. Fernando Fugardo and Mr. Pedro Hidalgo (A/C.4/702/Add.1)	Gibraltar	1744th
Mr. Atanasio Ndong Miyone, Secretary-General, Movimiento Nacional de Liberación de la Guinea Ecuatorial (MONALIGE) (A/C.4/695/Add.1)	Equatorial Guinea	1741st
Mr. Francisco Macias Nguema, Vice-Chairman, Consejo de Gobierno Autónomo, leader, Movimiento Nacional de Liberación de la Guinea Ecuatorial (MONALIGE) (A/C.4/695/Add.2)	Equatorial Guinea	1746th
Mr. Francisco Salome Jones, Vice-Chairman, Movimiento de Union Naciónal de la Guinea Ecuatorial (MUNGE) (A/C.4/695/Add.3)	Equatorial Guinea	1746th
Mr. Antonino Eworo Obama, Chairman, <u>Idea Popular de la</u> <u>Guinea Ecuatorial</u> (IFGE) (A/C.4/695/Add.4)	Equatorial Guinea	1746th

- 8. At the 1719th meeting, on 15 November, Mr. Philip S.W. Goldson addressed the Committee concerning British Honduras.
- 9. At the 1737th meeting, on 4 December, Mr. C. Lindbergh Rogers made a statement concerning British Honduras on behalf of the People's United Party.
- 10. At the 1743rd meeting, on 8 December, Mr. Jeremiah Gumbs and Mr. Roger Fisher made statements concerning Anguilla and replied to questions put to them by members of the Committee.
- 11. At the 1747th meeting, on 13 December, Mr. Peter Isola, Sir Joshua Hassan, Mr. Pedro Hidalgo and Mr. Fernando Fugardo addressed the Committee concerning Gibraltar and replied to questions put to them by members at the 1747th and 1748th meetings, on the same day.
- 12. At the 1748th meeting, on 13 December, Mr. Saturnino Ibongo Iyanga, Mr. Atanasio Ndong Miyone, Mr. Francisco Macias Nguema, Mr. Francisco Salome Jones and Mr. Antonino Eworo Obama, accompanied by Mr. Jose Leori Comba, Mr. Tomas Ecoca and Mr. Armando Balboa appeared before the Committee. At the same meeting, Mr. Macias, Mr. Eworo, Mr. Salome and Mr. Ndong made statements concerning Equatorial Guinea and they and the other petitioners replied to questions put to them by members of the Committee.
- 13. At the same meeting, Mr. Donald Halstead made a statement concerning Antigua and replied to questions put to him by a member.
- 14. The general debate on the item took place at the 1741st to 1743rd, 1745th, 1746th and 1749th to 1753rd meetings, between 7 and 15 December.
- 15. In connexion with the item, the Committee adopted five draft resolutions and a consensus concerning the following Territories:
 - I. Gibraltar
 - II. Ifni and Spanish Sahara
 - III. Equatorial Guinea
 - IV. French Somaliland
 - V. American Samoa, Antigua, Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Dominica, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Grenada, Guam, Mauritius, Montserrat, New Hebrides, Niue, Pitcairn, St. Helena, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Swaziland, Tokelau Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands
 - VI. Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (consensus)
- 16. An account of the Committee's consideration of the draft resolutions and of amendments thereto as well as of the consensus is given in sections I to VI below.

I. GIBRALTAR

17. A draft resolution sponsored by Argentina, Colombia, Honduras and Panama was circulated on 1 December (A/C.4/L.876). Subsequently, the following Member States became sponsors: Bolivia, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Mauritania, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Southern Yemen, Syria and Yemen (A/C.4/L.876/Add.1 to 7). The draft resolution read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Having considered the question of Gibraltar,

"Having heard the statements of the administering Power and of the representative of Spain,

"Recalling General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

"Recalling further the resolution adopted on 1 September 1967."
by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, General Assembly resolutions 2231 (XXI) of 20 December 1966 and 2070 (XX) of 16 December 1965, and the consensus adopted on 16 October 1964 by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

"Considering that any colonial situation which partially or completely destroys the national unity and territorial integrity of a country is incompatible with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, and specifically with paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

- "1. Regrets the interruption of the negotiations recommended in General Assembly resolutions 2070 (XX) and 2231 (XXI);
- "2. Deplores the holding of the referendum of 10 September 1967 by the administering Power as being a contravention of the provisions of General Assembly resolution 2231 (XXI) and those of the resolution adopted on 1 September 1967 by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

^{1/} A/AC.109/266.

^{2/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (A/5800/Rev.1), chapter X, para. 209.

- "3. <u>Invites</u> the Governments of Spain and of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume without delay the negotiations provided for in General Assembly resolutions 2070 (XX) and 2231 (XXI) with a view to putting an end to the colonial situation in Gibraltar and to safeguarding the interests of the population upon the termination of that situation;
- "4. Requests the Secretary-General to assist the Governments of Spain and the United Kingdom in the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session."
- 18. On the same day, a draft resolution sponsored by the <u>United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland</u> was also circulated (A/C.4/L.877). The draft resolution read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Having examined the question of Gibraltar,

"Having heard the statements of the administering Power and the representative of Spain,

"Recalling its resolutions 2070 (XX) of 16 December 1965 and 2231 (XXI) of 20 December 1966 and the consensus adopted by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples on 16 October 1964,3/

"Concerned by the actions of the Government of Spain aimed at the interests of the people of Gibraltar in contravention of resolution 2231 (XXI), in particular, the measures aimed at the economy of Gibraltar and the freedom of movement of its people,

"Further concerned by the action of the Government of Spain in declaring a prohibited air zone near Gibraltar in such a manner as to prejudice the holding of the negotiations recommended by resolution 2231 (XXI),

"Regretting that the negotiations recommended in resolution 2231 (XXI) have not as yet taken place,

- "1. <u>Calls</u> for the termination of the restrictions imposed on free access to Gibraltar and of other measures designed to damage the interests of the population of Gibraltar;
- "2. Takes note of the report submitted by the administering Power in accordance with the provisions of resolution 2231 (XXI) and included in the report 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 to the General Assembly;

- "3. Further takes note of the result of the referendum conducted in Gibraltar on 10 September 1967, according to which the overwhelming majority of the people of Gibraltar have voted in favour of retaining their links with the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland rather than passing under Spanish sovereignty;
- "4. Draws the attention of the parties to the provisions of Article 73 of the Charter of the United Nations, according to which the interests of the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, including Gibraltar, are paramount, and under which the administering Power has accepted as a sacred trust the obligation to develop self-government and to take due account of the political aspirations of the peoples and to assist them in the progressive development of their free political institutions;
- "5. Urges the necessity of avoiding any act which might impede the holding of negotiations in accordance with resolution 2231 (XXI);
- "6. Calls upon the two parties to continue their negotiations, taking into account the freely expressed aspirations and interests of the people of the Territory, and asks the administering Power to report to the Special Committee as soon as possible, and in any case before the twenty-third session of the General Assembly;
- "7. Requests the Secretary-General to assist in the implementation of the present resolution."
- 19. At the 1746th meeting, on 12 December, the representatives of Norway, and Jamaica introduced a draft resolution on behalf of Ceylon, Denmark, Gambia, Iceland, Jamaica, Malta, Norway and Singapore (A/C.4/L.884). The draft resolution read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Having examined the chapter of the report 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 on the question of Gibraltar, 4/

"Noting the resolution adopted by the Special Committee on 1 September 1967, 5/

"Having heard the statements of the administering Power and the representative of Spain,

^{4/} A/6700/Add.9.

^{5/} Ibid., para. 215.

"Recalling its resolution 2070 (XX) of 16 December 1965 and 2231 (XXI) of 20 December 1966, and the consensus adopted by the Special Committee on 16 October 1964, $\underline{6}$ /

"Recalling further its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

"Regretting the delay in the conclusion of the consultations between the administering Power and Spain, and the consequent delay in the process of decolonization and the implementation of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) with regard to Gibraltar,

"Taking into account the stated readiness of the administering Fower and the Government of Spain to resume their negotiations on the question of Gibraltar in accordance with the recommendations contained in General Assembly resolution 2231 (XXI),

- "l. <u>Calls upon</u> the two parties to continue their negotiations, in accordance with the provisions of the resolutions referred to in the foregoing, and asks the administering Power to expedite, without any hindrance and in consultation with the Government of Spain, and taking into account the interests of the people of the Territory, the decolonization of Gibraltar, and to report to the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples as soon as possible, and in any case before the twenty-third session of the General Assembly;
- "2. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to assist in the implementation of the present resolution."
- 20. On 13 December, Yemen submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.888) to the eight-Power draft resolution (A/C.4/L.884), by which the following paragraph would be added as operative paragraph 1:
 - "1. Approves the chapter of the report 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 concerning Gibraltar and the resolution adopted by the Special Committee on 1 September 1967;".

^{6/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (A/5800/Rev.l), chapter X, para. 209.

- 21. On the same day, Algeria, Gabon, Iraq, the United Arab Republic and Uruguay submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.887) to the nineteen-Power draft resolution (A/C.4/L.876 and Add.1 to 7), by which operative paragraph 2 would be replaced by the following:
 - "2. <u>Declares</u> the holding of the referendum of 10 September 1967 by the administering Power to be a contravention of the provisions of General Assembly resolution 2231 (XXI) and those of the resolution adopted on 1 September 1967 by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;".

Subsequently, <u>Cambodia</u> became a sponsor of the amendment (A/C.4/L.887/Add.1). 22. On 14 December, <u>Guyana</u> submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.889) to the eight-Power draft resolution (A/C.4/L.884), by which the following new paragraph would be added as the fourth preambular paragraph:

"Having heard the statements of the petitioners,".

- 23. On the same day, <u>Guyana</u> submitted a sub-amendment (A/C.4/L.890) to the amendment of Yemen (A/C.4/L.888) to the eight-Power draft resolution (A/C.4/L.884), by which, in operative paragraph 1, the word "<u>Approves</u>" would be replaced by the words "Takes note of".
- 24. At the 1753rd meeting, on 15 December, the sponsors of the nineteen-Power draft resolution (A/C.4/L.876 and Add.1 to 7), accepted the amendment (A/C.4/L.887 and Add.1) submitted by the six Powers, who then became sponsors of the revised draft resolution (A/C.4/L.876/Rev.1).
- 25. At the 1754th meeting, on 16 December, the representative of Norway proposed that the eight-Power draft resolution (A/C.4/L.884) should be voted on first. The proposal was rejected by a roll-call vote of 62 to 30, with 24 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Australia, Barbados, Belgium, Botswana, Canada, Ceylon, Congo (Democratic Republic of), Denmark, Ethiopia, Finland, Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, Iceland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldive Islands, Malta, New Zealand, Norway, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Sweden, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Against:

Algeria, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo (Brazzaville), Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Gabon, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Mongolia, Morocco, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Southern Yemen, Spain, Sudan, Syria, Togo, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zambia.

Abstaining:

Afghanistan, Austria, Burma, Central African Republic, Chad, Cyprus, France, Greece, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Liberia, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, Niger, Pakistan, Portugal, Senegal, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, United States of America.

26. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the twenty-five-Power revised draft resolution (A/C.4/L.876/Rev.1) by a roll-call vote of 70 to 21, with 25 abstentions (see paragraph 39 below, draft resolution I). The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo (Brazzaville), Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Gabon, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Mongolia, Morocco, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Southern Yemen, Spain, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zambia.

Against:

Australia, Barbados, Botswana, Canada, Ceylon, Denmark, Gambia, Guyana, Jamaica, Lesotho, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldive Islands, Malta, New Zealand, Norway, Sierra Leone, Sweden, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Abstaining:

Austria, Belgium, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo (Democratic Republic of), Cyprus, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Ghana, Iceland, India, Israel, Kenya, Madagascar, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, Niger, Senegal, Singapore, Thailand, Togo, Uganda, United States of America.

27. At the same meeting, the draft resolutions submitted by the United Kingdom (A/C.4/L.877) and by the eight Powers (A/C.4/L.884) were withdrawn. /...

II. IFNI AND SPANISH SAHARA

- 28. At the 1753rd meeting, on 15 December, the representative of Mali introduced a draft resolution, which was finally sponsored by the following Member States:

 Afghanistan, Cameroon, Congo (Brazzaville), Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Ivory Coast,

 Mali, Niger, Senegal, Syria, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta,

 Yemen, Yugoslavia and Zambia (A/C.4/L.893 and Add.1).
- 29. At the 1755th meeting, on 16 December, the Secretary-General submitted, in accordance with rule 154 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, a statement of financial implications (A/C.4/L.901) concerning this draft resolution. 30. At the same meeting, the Fourth Committee adopted the draft resolution (A/C.4/L.893 and Add.1) by a vote of 97 to none, with 3 abstentions (see paragraph 39 below, draft resolution II).

III. EQUATORIAL GUINEA

31. At the 1753rd meeting, on 15 December, the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced a draft resolution, which was finally sponsored by the following Member States: Afghanistan, Algeria, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo (Brazzaville), Ghana, Guinea, Indonesia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Syria, Togo, Uganda, United Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Yugoslavia and Zambia (A/C.4/L.894 and Add.1).
32. At the 1755th meeting, on 16 December, the Secretary-General submitted, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, a statement of financial implications (A/C.4/L.902) concerning this draft resolution.
33. At the same meeting, the Fourth Committee adopted the draft resolution by vote of 94 to none, with 6 abstentions (see paragraph 39 below, draft resolution III).

IV. FRENCH SOMALILAND

34. At the 1753rd meeting, on 15 December, the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania and Sierra Leone introduced a draft resolution, which was finally sponsored by the following Member States: Ghana, Guinea, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Southern Yemen, Sudan, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Yemen and Zambia (A/C.4/L.898 and Add.1).

35. At the 1755th meeting, on 16 December, the Fourth Committee adopted the draft resolution (A/C.4/L.898 and Add.1) by a roll-call vote of 71 to 1, with 27 abstentions (see paragraph 39 below, draft resolution IV). The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cameroon, Ceylon, Chile, China, Congo (Brazzaville), Congo (Democratic Republic of), Cuba, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Ecuador, Gambia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Malaysia, Maldive Islands, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Southern Yemen, Spain, Sudan, Syria, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zambia.

Against: Portugal.

Abstaining:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Denmark, Ethiopia, Finland, Gabon, India, Ireland, Italy, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Malawi, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Senegal, South Africa, Sweden, Togo, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

- V. AMERICAN SAMOA, ANTIGUA, BAHAMAS, BERMUDA, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, CAYMAN ISLANDS, COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS, DOMINICA, GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS, GRENADA, GUAM, MAURITIUS, MONTSERRAT, NEW HEBRIDES, NIUE, PITCAIRN, ST. HELENA, ST. KITTS-NEVIS-ANGUILLA, ST. LUCIA, ST. VINCENT, SEYCHELLES, SOLOMON ISLANDS, SWAZILAND, TOKELAU ISLANDS, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS AND THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS
- 36. At the 1753rd meeting, on 15 December, the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced a draft resolution on behalf of the following Member States: Indonesia, Libya, Niger, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia and Zambia (A/C.4/L.899).
- 37. At the 1755th meeting, on 16 December, the Fourth Committee adopted the draft resolution (A/C.4/L.899) by a vote of 72 to none, with 26 abstentions (see paragraph 39 below, draft resolution V).

VI. FALKLAND ISLANDS (MALVINAS)

38. At the 1755th meeting, on 16 December, the Fourth Committee, on the proposal of the representative of Uruguay, approved a draft consensus concerning the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (see paragraph 40 below).

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FOURTH COMMITTEE

39. The Fourth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Question of Gibraltar

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Gibraltar,

Having heard the statements of the administering Power and of the representative of Spain.

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

Recalling further the resolution adopted on 1 September 1967 by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, $\frac{1}{2}$ General Assembly resolutions 2070 (XX) of 16 December 1965 and 2231 (XXI) of 20 December 1966, and the consensus adopted on 16 October 1964 by the Special Committee, $\frac{2}{2}$

Considering that any colonial situation which partially or completely destroys the national unity and territorial integrity of a country is incompatible with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and, specifically, with paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV),

- 1. Regrets the interruption of the negotiations recommended in General Assembly resolutions 2070 (XX) and 2231 (XXI);
- 2. <u>Declares</u> the holding of the referendum of 10 September 1967 by the administering Power to be a contravention of the provisions of General Assembly resolution 2231 (XXI) and of those of the resolution adopted on 1 September 1967 by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;
- 3. <u>Invites</u> the Governments of Spain and of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume without delay the negotiations provided for in General Assembly resolutions 2070 (XX) and 2231 (XXI) with a view to putting in

^{1/} A/c.109/266.

^{2/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (A/5800/Rev.l), chapter X, para. 209.

end to the colonial situation in Gibraltar and to safeguarding the interests of the population upon the termination of that situation;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to assist the Governments of Spain and the United Kingdom in the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Question of Ifni and Spanish Sahara

The General Assembly,

<u>Having examined</u> the chapter of the report 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 relating to the Territories of Ifni and Spanish Sahara, $\frac{1}{2}$

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

Recalling also the resolution adopted on 16 October 1964 by the Special Committee, $\frac{2}{}$

Reaffirming its resolutions 2072 (XX) of 16 December 1965 and 2229 (XXI) of 20 December 1966,

Noting that the Spanish Government, as the administering Power, has not yet applied the provisions of resolution 1514 (XV),

Recalling the decision concerning the Territories under Spanish administration taken by the Conference of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its third ordinary session, held at Addis Ababa from 5 to 9 November 1966,

Noting the statement of the administering Power that a high-level dialogue had already begun between the Governments of Spain and Morocco concerning Ifni,

^{1/} A/6700/Add.7.

^{2/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (part I) (A/58CO/Rev.1) para. 290.

Noting further the statement made by the administering Power on 7 December 1966 relating to Spanish Sahara, in particular with regard to the sending of a special United Nations mission to the Territory, the return of exiles and the free exercise by the indigenous population of its right to self-determination,

Considering the consensus adopted by the Special Committee at its meeting of 14 September 1967,4

I. Ifni

- 1. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the people of Ifni to self-determination in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);
- 2. Approves the chapter of the report 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 relating to the Territory of Ifni, and endorses the consensus adopted by the Special Committee on 14 September 1967;
- 3. Requests the administering Power to take immediately the necessary steps to accelerate the decolonization of Ifni and to determine with the Government of Morocco, bearing in mind the aspirations of the indigenous population, the procedures for the transfer of powers in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV):
- 4. <u>Invites</u> the administering Power to continue the dialogue which has begun with the Government of Morocco with a view to implementing the provisions of paragraph 3 of the present resolution;
- 5. Requests the Special Committee to continue its consideration of the situation in the Territory of Ifni and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session;

II. Spanish Sahara

- 1. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the people of Spanish Sahara to self-determination in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);
- 2. Approves the chapter of the report 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 relating to the Territory of Spanish

^{1/} A/C.4/SR.1660.

^{2/} A/6700/Add.7, para. 38.

Sahara, and endorses the consensus adopted by the Special Committee on 14 September 1967;

- 3. <u>Invites</u> the administering Power to determine at the earliest possible date, in conformity with the aspirations of the indigenous people of Spanish Sahara and in consultation with the Governments of Mauritania and Morocco and any other interested party, the procedures for the holding of a referendum under United Nations auspices with a view to enabling the indigenous population of the Territory to exercise freely its right to self-determination, and, to this end:
- (a) To create a favourable climate for the referendum to be conducted on an entirely free, democratic and impartial basis, by permitting, inter alia, the return of exiles to the Territory;
- (b) To take all the necessary steps to ensure that only the indigenous people of the Territory participate in the referendum;
- (c) To refrain from any action likely to delay the process of the decolonization of Spanish Sahara;
- (d) To provide all the necessary facilities to a United Nations mission so that it may be able to participate actively in the organization and holding of the referendum;
- Requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the administering Power and the Special Committee, to appoint immediately the special mission provided for in paragraph 5 of resolution 2229 (XXI), and to expedite its dispatch to Spanish Sahara for the purpose of recommending practical steps for the full implementation of the relevant General Assembly resolutions and, in particular, for determining the extent of United Nations participation in the preparation and supervision of the referendum and submitting a report to him as soon as possible for transmission to the Special Committee;
- 5. Requests the Special Committee to continue its consideration of the situation in the Territory of Spanish Sahara and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

Question of Equatorial Guinea

Having considered the question of Equatorial Guinea, Having heard the statements of the petitioners,

Having also heard the statement of the representative of the administering Power,

Having considered the chapter of the report 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 relating to Equatorial Guinea, 1

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

Recalling further the provisions of its resolution 2067 (XX) of 16 December 1965 and 2230 (XXI) of 20 December 1966,

Having noted the constitutional conference which opened in Madrid on 30 October 1967,

- 1. Approves the chapter of the report 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 relating to Equatorial Guinea;
- 2. <u>Reaffirms</u> the inalienable right of the people of Equatorial Guinea to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);
- 3. Regrets that the administering Power has not yet set a date for the accession of Equatorial Guinea to independence in accordance with the wishes of the people of the Territory;
- 4. Reiterates its requests to the administering Power to ensure that the Territory accedes to independence as a single political and territorial entity not later than July 1968;
- 5. <u>Invites</u> the administering Power to implement as soon as possible the following measures:
 - (a) To ensure full respect for all democratic freedoms;
- (b) To institute an electoral system based on universal adult suffrage and the holding, before independence, of a general election for the whole Territory on the basis of a unified electoral roll;

^{1/} A/6700/Add.6.

- (c) To transfer effective power to the Government resulting from this election;
- 6. <u>Urges</u> the administering Power to reconvene the constitutional conference referred to above in order to work out the modalities of the transfer of power, including the drawing up of an electoral law and of an independence constitution;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to take appropriate action, in consultation with the administering Power and the Special Committee, to ensure the presence of the United Nations in the Territory for the supervision of the preparation for, and the holding of, the election envisaged in paragraph 5 (b) above and to participate in all other measures leading towards the independence of the Territory;
- 8. <u>Further requests</u> the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to the administering Power and to report to the Special Committee on its implementation;
 - 9. Decides to maintain the question of Equatorial Guinea on its agenda.

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV

Question of French Somaliland

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of French Somaliland (Djibouti),

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and 2228 (XXI) of 20 December 1966,

<u>Having considered</u> the chapter of the report 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 relating to French Somaliland (Djibouti), 1/2

Considering the circumstances in which the referendum organized by the administering Power took place on 19 March 1967,

- 1. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the people of French Somaliland (Djibouti) to self-determination and independence in accordance with resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,
- 2. Regrets that the administering Power has not co-operated with the United Nations in the application of resolution 1514 (XV) and did not implement the resolution 2228 (XXI) of 20 December 1966,
- 3. <u>Calls upon</u> the administering Power to create the political conditions necessary for accelerating the implementation of the right of the people to self-determination and independence, including the full exercise of political freedoms, and to allow the return of all refugees to the Territory;
- 4. <u>Urges</u> the administering Power to co-operate fully with the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and with the United Nations in accelerating the process of decolonization in the Territory and to grant independence to the inhabitants at an early date;
- 5. Requests the Special Committee to continue its consideration of the situation in French Somaliland (Djibouti) and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session;
 - 6. Decides to keep the question of French Somaliland (Djibouti) on its agenda.

^{1/} A/6700/Add.11.

DRAFT RESOLUTION V

Question of American Samoa, Antigua, Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Dominica, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Grenada, Guam, Mauritius, Montserrat, New Hebrides, Niue, Pitcairn, St. Helena, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Swaziland, Tokelau Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of American Samoa, Antigua, Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Dominica, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Grenada, Guam, Mauritius, Montserrat, New Hebrides, Niue, Pitcairn, St. Helena, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Swaziland, Tokelau Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands.

Having examined the chapters of the report 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 relating to these Territories. 1

Recalling its resolutions 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, 1654 (XVI) of 27 November 1961, 1810 (XVII) of 17 December 1962, 1956 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963, 2066 (XX) of 16 December 1965, 2069 (XX) of 16 December 1965, 2189 (XXI) of 13 December 1966, 2232 (XXI) of 20 December 1966 and 2288 (XXII) of 7 December 1967,

Noting the constitutional changes that were introduced in February and March 1967 in the Territories of Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla and St. Lucia and that are envisaged for the Territory of St. Vincent,

Noting further the decisions taken by the Special Committee that resolution 1514 (XV) containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions continue to apply to these Territories,

Deeply concerned at the information contained in the report of the Special Committee on the continuation of policies which aim, among other things, at the disruption of the territorial integrity of some of these Territories and at the creation by the administering Powers of military bases and installations in contravention of the relevant General Assembly resolutions.

^{1/} A/6700/Add.8, 10, 13 and 14, chapters XI, XIV to XVIII, XX and XXIII.

Deploring the attitude of some administering Powers which continue to refuse to allow visiting missions of the United Nations to visit these Territories,

Conscious that these situations require the continued attention and assistance of the United Nations in the achievement by the peoples of these Territories of their objectives, as embodied in the Charter of the United Nations and in the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

Aware of the special circumstances of geographical location and economic conditions of some of these Territories.

- 1. Approves the chapters of the report 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 relating to these Territories;
- 2. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the peoples of these Territories to self-determination and independence;
- 3. <u>Calls upon</u> the administering Powers to implement without delay the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 4. Reiterates its declaration that any attempt aimed at the partial or total disruption of the national unity and the territorial integrity of colonial Territories and the establishment of military bases and installations in these Territories is incompatible with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);
- 5. <u>Urges</u> the administering Powers to allow United Nations visiting missions to visit the Territories and to extend to them full co-operation and assistance;
- 6. Decides that the United Nations should render all help to the peoples of these Territories in their efforts freely to decide their future status;
- 7. Requests the Special Committee to continue to pay special attention to these Territories and to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide all possible assistance in the implementation of the present resolution.

40. The Fourth Committee also recommends that the General Assembly should adopt the following concensus:

Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)

The General Assembly, having regard to its resolution 2065 (XX) of 16 December 1965 and to the consersus approved by the General Assembly on 20 December 1966 concerning the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas), takes note of the communications dated 14 December 1967 from the Permanent Representatives of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations, addressed to the Secretary-General (A/C.4/703, A/C.4/704), and, in this connexion and bearing in mind the report 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, $\frac{1}{2}$ approves a consensus in favour of urging both parties to continue with the negotiations so as to find a peaceful solution to the problem as soon as possible. It likewise urges the parties bearing particularly in mind resolution 2065 (XX) and the consensus of 20 December 1966, to keep the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and the General Assembly, duly informed during the coming year about the development of the negotiations on this colonial situation, the elimination of which is of interest to the United Nations within the context of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960.

^{1/} A/6700/Add.4, part II.