

1898th meeting

Friday, 17 May 1974, at 11.25 a.m.

President: Mr. Aarno KARHILO (Finland)

E/SR.1898

AGENDA ITEM 10

Human rights questions:

- (a) Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;
- (b) Report of the Commission on Human Rights;
- (c) Question of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations, including the slavery-like practices of *apartheid* and colonialism;
- (d) Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE (E/5514)

1. The PRESIDENT invited the Council to consider the report of the Social Committee (E/5514).

2. Mr. SMIRNOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) noted that the report had only just been circulated and proposed that consideration of the item should be deferred until the afternoon meeting in order to give delegations time to study the report.

3. After a brief discussion in which Mr. TRAVERS (France), Mr. BERLIS (Canada) and Mr. SMIRNOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) took part, the PRESIDENT suggested that the item should be deferred until the afternoon meeting, on the understanding that it would be taken up as the first item and that the meeting should begin promptly at 3 p.m. so that the Council would be able to conclude the work of the session.

It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 11.35 a.m.

1899th meeting

Friday, 17 May 1974, at 3.30 p.m.

President: Mr. Aarno KARHILO (Finland)

E/SR.1899

AGENDA ITEM 10

Human rights questions (*concluded*):

- (a) Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;
- (b) Report of the Commission on Human Rights;
- (c) Question of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations, including the slavery-like practices of *apartheid* and colonialism;
- (d) Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE (*concluded*) (E/5514)

1. The PRESIDENT suggested that members of the Council should first take a decision on the 11 draft resolutions and 5 draft decisions which the Social Committee recommended to the Council for adoption (E/5514, para. 53), and then explain their votes.

2. He said that if he heard no objection, he would take it that the Council agreed to that procedure.

It was so decided.

3. The PRESIDENT noted that the Social Committee had adopted draft resolution I without a vote. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Council also wished to adopt it without a vote.

Draft resolution I (E/5514, para. 53) was adopted without a vote [resolution 1863 (LVI)].

4. The PRESIDENT noted that the Social Committee had adopted draft resolution II after a vote. He invited the Council to vote on the draft resolution.

A non-recorded vote was taken.

Draft resolution II (E/5514, para. 53) was adopted by 36 votes to none, with 12 abstentions [resolution 1864 (LVI)].

5. The PRESIDENT noted that the Social Committee had adopted draft resolutions III, IV, V and VI without a vote. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Council also wished to adopt them without a vote.

Draft resolutions III, IV, V and VI (E/5514, para. 53) were adopted without a vote [resolutions 1865 (LVI), 1866 (LVI), 1867 (LVI) and 1868 (LVI)].

6. The PRESIDENT noted that the Social Committee had adopted draft resolution VII by a roll-call vote. He invited the Council to vote on the draft resolution.

A non-recorded vote was taken.

Draft resolution VII was adopted by 40 votes to 1, with 7 abstentions [resolution 1869 (LVI)].

7. The PRESIDENT noted that the Social Committee had adopted draft resolutions VIII, IX and X without a vote. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Council also wished to adopt them without a vote.

Draft resolutions VIII, IX and X (E/5514, para. 53) were adopted without a vote [resolutions 1870 (LVI), 1871 (LVI) and 1872 (LVI)].