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#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

#### Report of the Fourth Committee

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- 1. At its 682nd meeting, on 20 September 1957, the General Assembly allocated to the Fourth Committee the following item of its agenda:
  - "13. Report of the Trusteeship Council." 1
- 2. The Committee considered the report of the Trusteeship Council together with a report on offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories (A/3718 and Corr.1), which was submitted by the Secretary-General in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 1063 (XI) of 26 February 1957.
- 3. In connexion with the item, five political organizations had submitted requests for hearings before the Committee (A/C.4/355 and Add.1 to 6). These requests were granted by the Committee as follows:
  - (a) Groupe d'Action nationale du Cameroun: granted at the 652nd meeting without objection;
  - (b) <u>One Kamerun</u>: granted at the same meeting by 42 votes to 8, with 10 abstentions;
  - (c) <u>Confédération générale kamerunaise du travail</u>: granted at the 670th meeting by 38 votes to 2, with 13 abstentions;
  - (d) <u>Union des populations du Cameroun</u>: granted at the 692nd meeting by 32 votes to 11, with 10 abstentions;

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<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Twelfth Session, Supplement No. 4 (A/3595 and Corr.1).

- (e) <u>Confédération des Syndicats indépendants du Cameroun</u>: granted at the 701st meeting without objection.
- 4. The Committee began consideration of the item at its 714th meeting when the report of the Trusteeship Council was introduced by the President of the Council.
- 5. From the 714th to the 720th meetings, the Committee heard the petitioners, namely, Mr. Charles Assale, Mr. Paul Soppo Priso and Mr. Jean Ekwabi (Groupe d'Action nationale du Cameroun), Mr. Ndeh Ntumazah (One Kamerun), Mr. Jacques Ngom (Confédération générale kamerunaise du travail), Mr. Félix Roland Moumié (Union des populations du Cameroun) and Mr. Dika Akwa (Confédération des Syndicats indépendants du Cameroun). During the first four of these meetings, statements were made by the petitioners, and from the 718th to the 720th meetings, questions were put to them by members of the Committee.
- 6. At the 721st meeting, the Committee began a general debate on the item, which was concluded at the 727th meeting.
- 7. At the latter meeting, the petitioners requested that they be allowed to make supplementary statements. The Committee decided, by 36 votes to 6, with 19 abstentions, to accede to this request and, consequently, supplementary statements were made by the petitioners at the 727th and 728th meetings.
- 8. From the 728th to the 733rd meetings, the Committee considered seven draft resolutions relating, respectively, to the following subjects:
  - (a) Situation in the Trust Territories of the Cameroons under French
  - administration and the Cameroons under British administration;
    - (b) Report of the Trusteeship Council;
    - (c) Economic advancement of Somaliland under Italian administration;
    - (d) Attainment of self-government or independence by Trust Territories;
    - (e) Rural economic development of the Trust Territories;
    - (f) Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories;
    - (g) Effects of the European Economic Community on the development of certain Trust Territories.
- 9. A detailed account of the Committee's consideration of these draft resolutions and of the amendments thereto is given below in sections A to G.

- A. SITUATION IN THE TRUST TERRITORIES OF THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION AND THE CAMEROONS UNDER BRITISH ADMINISTRATION
- 10. At the 723rd meeting, Ecuador, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Japan, Pakistan and Uruguay submitted a draft resolution which, as revised at the 729th meeting (A/C.4/L.512/Rev.1), read as follows:

"Hearings of petitioners from the Trust Territories of the Cameroons under British administration and the Cameroons under French administration

"The General Assembly,

"Having studied the chapters of the report of the Trusteeship Council which relate to the Trust Territories of the Cameroons under British administration and the Cameroons under French administration,

"Having heard the petitioners from these Territories in the course of the hearings granted by the Fourth Committee.

"Noting continued tensions and disturbances in certain areas of the Cameroons under French administration, and the fact that the amnesty law envisaged by the Administering Authority has not been promulgated,

"Bearing in mind that the Trusteeship Council will, in the normal course, send a visiting mission to the two Trust Territories in 1958,

- "1. <u>Takes note</u> of the pertinent chapters of the Trusteeship Council's report;
- "2. <u>Transmits</u> the statements of the petitioners to the Trusteeship Council for further study;
- "3. Recommends that the Trusteeship Council take into account the observations and suggestions made during the debate in the Fourth Committee, when the Council considers conditions in these Territories at its twenty-first regular session;
- "4. <u>Is confident</u> that, as a result of the application of appropriate measures, in particular the early promulgation of the amnesty law by the Administering Authority, and the renunciation of the use of violence by all political parties, it will be possible to achieve, in the Cameroons under French administration, conditions conducive to the early restoration of a normal situation in the disturbed area, and to the furtherance of democratic progress and political activities in the Territory;

- "5. Requests the Trusteeship Council to instruct its next visiting mission, in 1958, to take into account the observations and suggestions made during the twelfth session of the General Assembly in examining the situation in the two Trust Territories."
- 11. At the 725th meeting, <u>Afghanistan</u>, <u>Burma</u>, <u>Ceylon</u>, <u>Ghana</u>, <u>India</u>, <u>Indonesia</u> and <u>Nepal</u> submitted amendments to the draft resolution which, as revised at the 729th meeting (A/C.4/L.516/Rev.1), would:
  - (a) Add the following after operative paragraph 3:

"Considers that in view of the many expressions of popular sentiment in favour of independence for the Cameroons under French administration, the Administering Authority should ensure that the constitutional measures taken for the development of the Territory towards self-government do not preclude the eventual attainment of independence by the Territory in conformity with the provisions of Article 76 b of the Charter;".

- (b) In operative paragraph 4, delete "the amnesty law" and substitute "a general political amnesty,".
- (c) Replace the last operative paragraph by the following two paragraphs:

"Requests the Trusteeship Council to dispatch its next visiting mission at the earliest possible date in 1958 in order to examine the entire situation in the two Trust Territories, taking into account the observations and suggestions made during the twelfth session of the General Assembly;

"Further requests the Trusteeship Council to transmit to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session the report of the Visiting Mission together with the Council's observations and recommendations."

- 12. At the 729th meeting, <u>Syria</u> submitted three amendments (A/C.4/L.521) to the revised draft resolution which would:
  - (a) Amend the title of the draft resolution to read:

"The future of the Trust Territories of the Cameroons under British administration and the Cameroons under French administration".

(b) Add the following after the third preambular paragraph:

"Noting further the constitutional development affecting the Cameroons under Eritish administration and the statement by the representative of the Administering Authority in connexion with the future of this Trust Territory,".

(c) Add the following after operative paragraph 3:

"Considers that in view of the many expressions of popular sentiment in favour of independence and unity for the Cameroons under French administration and the Cameroons under British administration, the Administering Authorities concerned should ensure that the constitutional measures taken for the development of the two Territories towards self-government do not preclude the eventual attainment by these Territories of independence and unity in conformity with the provisions of Article 76 b of the Charter.".

- 13. At the same meeting, the <u>Philippines</u> also submitted three amendments (A/C.4/L.524), which would:
  - (a) In the second preambular paragraph, insert the words "and considered the statements of" after "Having heard".
  - (b) In operative paragraph 3, replace the words "debate in the Fourth Committee" by "consideration of the question in the Fourth Committee at the twelfth session of the General Assembly, in particular, the problem of unification".
  - (c) In operative paragraph 4, replace the words "is confident" by "expresses the hope" and the words "all political parties" by "all parties concerned", and delete the words "in the disturbed area".
- 14. At the 730th meeting and, again, at the 732nd meeting, the sponsors of the draft resolution further revised (A/C.4/L.512/Rev.3) their proposal by replacing:
  - (a) the second and third preambular paragraphs by the following text:

"Noting continued tensions and disturbances in a certain area of the Cameroons under French administration,

"Noting also the fact that the amnesty law envisaged by the Administering Authority has not yet been promulgated,

"Having heard and considered the statements of the petitioners from these Territories in the course of the hearings granted by the Fourth Committee,";

(b) the words "is confident" by "expresses the hope" in operative paragraph 4.

15. At the 732nd meeting, <u>Guatemala</u> submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.526) to the revised draft resolution, which, as orally revised at the 733rd meeting, would add the following after operative paragraph 4:

"Invites the Administering Authorities concerned to ensure that the constitutional measures to be taken by them to enable the two Trust Territories to attain the ultimate objectives of the International Trusteeship System will facilitate the free expression of the wishes of the people of both Territories on all alternatives concerning their future status, including unification.".

- 16. The sponsors of the seven-Power amendments submitted a revised version (A/C.4/L.516/Rev.2) of their proposals, which, as orally revised at the 733rd meeting, would:
  - (a) Add the following after operative paragraph 4:

"Considers that, in view of the many expressions of popular sentiment in favour of independence for the Cameroons under French administration, the constitutional measures for the further development of the Territory towards self-government should not preclude the eventual attainment of independence by the Territory in conformity with the provisions of Article 76 b of the Charter:".

(b) Replace the last operative paragraph by the following two paragraphs:

"Requests the Trusteeship Council to dispatch its next visiting mission at the earliest possible date in 1958 in order to examine the entire situation in the two Trust Territories, taking into account the observations and suggestions made during the twelfth session of the General Assembly;

"Further requests the Trusteeship Council to transmit to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session the report of the Visiting Mission together with the Council's observations and recommendations.".

- 17. At the 733rd meeting, the representative of Ecuador proposed an oral amendment to redraft the title of the revised draft resolution to read: "Situation in the Trust Territories of the Cameroons under French administration and the Cameroons under British administration".
- 18. At the same meeting Syria consequently withdrew all its amendments except one, namely, to add a new paragraph after the third preambular paragraph (See paragraph 12 (b) above).
- 19. The representative of the <u>Philippines</u> orally revised his amendments. The revised amendments would:
  - (a) Replace in operative paragraph 3 the words "debate in the Fourth Committee" by "consideration of the question in the Fourth Committee at the twelfth session of the General Assembly, including the problem of unification".

- (b) Replace in operative paragraph 4 the words "all political parties" by "all concerned".
- 20. The representative of Egypt proposed an oral amendment to delete the words "by all political parties" in operative paragraph 4.
- 21. Consequently, before the votes were taken, the Committee had before it the following amendments to the revised draft resolution:
  - (a) A Syrian amendment to add a new paragraph after the third preambular paragraph;
  - (b) A Philippine amendment to operative paragraph 4;
  - (c) An Egyptian amendment to the same paragraph;
  - (d) A seven-Power amendment to add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 4;
  - (e) A Guatemalan amendment to add a new paragraph after the same paragraph;
  - (f) A seven-Power amendment to replace the last operative paragraph by a new text;
- (g) An Ecuadorian amendment to redraft the title of the draft resolution. 22. At the 733rd meeting, the Committee voted on the revised draft resolution (A/C.4/L.512/Rev.3) and the above amendments as follows:

The first three preambular paragraphs were unanimously approved.

The <u>Syrian amendment to add a new paragraph after the third preambular</u> paragraph was approved by a roll-call vote of 33 votes to 30, with 13 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Ethiopia,
Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, India, Indonesia,
Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Philippines,
Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yemen,
Yugoslavia.

Against: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cuba,
Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Finland, France, Honduras,
Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands,
New Zealand, Nicaragua, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Thailand,
Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Treland,
United States of America.

Abstaining: Argentina, Brazil, Cambodia, China, Costa Rica, El Salvador,
Malaya (Federation of), Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Sudan,
Uruguay, Venezuela.

The <u>fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs</u> were unanimously approved. <u>Operative paragraphs</u> 1 and 2 were unanimously approved.

The <u>Philippine amendment to operative paragraph 3</u> was rejected by a roll-call vote of 37 to 34, with 5 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Ethiopia,
Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, India, Indonesia,
Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal,
Philippines, Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand,
Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet
Socialist Republics, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Cambodia, Malaya (Federation of), Sudan, Uruguay, Venezuela.

Operative paragraph 3 was unanimously approved.

The <u>Philippine amendment to operative paragraph 4</u> was rejected by a roll-call vote of 41 to 33, with 2 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Ethiopia,
Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq,
Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Philippines, Poland,
Romania, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yemen,
Yugoslavia.

Against:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaya (Federation of), Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela.

Abstaining: Cambodia, Haiti.

The Egyptian amendment to operative paragraph 4 was rejected by 38 votes to 30, with 7 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 4 was approved by 60 votes to 10, with 7 abstentions.

The seven-Power amendment to add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 4 was rejected by a roll-call vote of 35 to 35, with 6 abstentions, as follows:

In favour:

Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Malaya (Federation of), Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

Abstaining: Cambodia, Honduras, Pakistan, Panama, Thailand, Uruguay.

The Guatemalan amendment to add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 4
was voted on as follows:

The words "including unification" in the proposed new paragraph were rejected by a roll-call vote of 35 to 32, with 8 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Cambodia, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt,
Ethiopia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, Indonesia,
Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines,
Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yemen,
Yugoslavia.

Against: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

Abstaining: India, Malaya (Federation of), Nepal, Pakistan, Sudan, Thailand, Turkey, Uruguay.

The amendment as amended was approved by a roll-call vote of 37 to 31, with 8 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Cambodia, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt,
Ethiopia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, India,
Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Malaya (Federation of),
Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Saudi
Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic,
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen,
Yugoslavia.

Against: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, France, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

<u>Abstaining</u>: Argentina, Brazil, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Honduras, Peru, Sudan, Thailand.

The <u>seven-Power amendment to replace operative paragraph 5</u> was rejected by a roll-call vote of 37 to 36, with 3 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet
Socialist Republic, Cambodia, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Egypt,
Ethiopia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, India,
Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Malaya (Federation of),
Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Saudi
Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist
Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Iuxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela.

Abstaining: China, Pakistan, Thailand.

Operative paragraph 5 was unanimously approved.

The <u>Ecuadorian amendment to redraft the title</u> was approved by 53 votes to none, with 15 abstentions.

The <u>draft resolution as a whole, as amended</u>, was rejected by a roll-call vote of 23 to 23, with 30 abstentions, as follows:

In favour: Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, India, Malaya (Federation of), Mexico, Nepal, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Tunisia, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia.

Against: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, Finland, France, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Chile, China, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Lebanon, Liberia, Morocco, Pakistan, Peru, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sudan, Syria, Thailand, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yemen.

#### B. REPORT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

- 23. At the 724th meeting, <u>Denmark</u> submitted a draft resolution (A/C.4/I.513) whereby the General Assembly would: (1) take note of the report of the Trusteeship Council; and (2) recommend that the Trusteeship Council, in its future deliberations, take into account the comments and suggestions made in the course of the discussion of the report at the twelfth session of the General Assembly.
- 24. The draft resolution was unanimously approved by the Committee at its 731st meeting.
- 25. The text of the draft resolution is annexed to the present report as draft resolution I.

### C. ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT OF SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

- 26. At the 725th meeting, <u>India</u> and the <u>United States of America</u> submitted a draft resolution (A/C.4/L.514) concerning the economic advancement of Somaliland under Italian administration.
- 27. At the 729th meeting, the draft resolution was revised and <u>Liberia</u> became a sponsor (A/C.4/L.514/Rev.1 and Corr.1). According to the revised version, the General Assembly would:
  - 1. Request the Trusteeship Council to continue its study of this question, in consultation with the Administering Authority and the Government of Somalia, and, in particular, to explore further the possibilities suggested by the Council;

- 2. <u>Note</u> from the report of the Trusteeship Council (A/3595 and Corr.1) that the Administering Authority, in consultation with the Government of Somalia, would continue to assess all requirements for a viable, independent Somalia, explore all possible ways of meeting the requirements indicated by these assessments and, submit a report thereon to the Trusteeship Council at its twenty-second session.
- 28. At the same meeting, the <u>Philippines</u> submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.523) to the revised draft resolution to reverse the order of the two operative paragraphs and to add, at the end of the new operative paragraph 2, the words "and to report thereon for the consideration of the General Assembly at its thirteenth session".
- 29. These amendments were accepted by the sponsors at the 730th meeting and incorporated in a second revised version (A/C.4/L.514/Rev.2) of their draft resolution.
- 30. The <u>draft resolution thus revised</u> was unanimously approved by the Committee at its 731st meeting.
- 31. The text of the draft resolution is annexed to the present report as draft resolution II.

### D. ATTAINMENT OF SELF-GOVERNMENT OR INDEPENDENCE BY TRUST TERRITORIES

- 32. At the 725th meeting, <u>Burma</u>, <u>Guatemala</u>, <u>Haiti</u>, <u>India</u> and <u>Syria</u> submitted a draft resolution, which, as revised (A/C.4/L.515/Rev.2) at the 730th meeting, would have the General Assembly: (1) <u>Reaffirm</u> its resolutions 558 (VI) and 1064 (XI), and once again invite the Administering Authorities to implement their terms; (2) <u>Request</u> the Trusteeship Council to report to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session on the progress made in implementing the present resolution.
- 33. At the 732nd meeting, the sponsors further orally revised their draft resolution by replacing, in the sixth preambular paragraph, the words "estimated the period of time" by "submitted the estimated periods of time".
- 34. At the same meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution as orally revised as follows:

The words "with disappointment" in the sixth preambular paragraph were approved by 34 votes to 24, with 10 abstentions.

The <u>draft resolution as a whole</u> was approved by 44 votes to 15, with 12 abstentions.

35. The text of the draft resolution is annexed to the present report as draft resolution III.

#### E. RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF TRUST TERRITORIES

36. At the 728th meeting, <u>Burma</u>, <u>Egypt</u>, <u>India</u>, <u>Indonesia</u>, <u>Iraq</u>, <u>Mexico</u>, <u>Panama</u> and <u>Yugoslavia</u> submitted a draft resolution which was revised at the 729th meeting (A/C.4/L.517/Rev.1). The draft resolution as revised read as follows:

#### "The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolution 438 (V) of 2 December 1950, recommending that the Trusteeship Council should consider the prevailing policies, laws and practices which in the Trust Territories relate to land, land utilization and the alienation of land, taking into account the present and future needs of the indigenous inhabitants from the standpoint of the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System and the future economic requirements of the Territories, as well as the social and economic consequences of the transfer of land to non-indigenous inhabitants,

"Having noted the actions of the Council in this field, both through its regular procedures for the examination of conditions in the Trust Territories and through the establishment of a Committee on Rural Economic Development,

"Noting with regret that the latter Committee has not yet been able to carry out the study entrusted to it,

"Considering that the questions of land tenure and land utilization call for analysis and opinion of a technical and expert nature, and recalling in this connexion its resolution 561 (VI) of 18 January 1952,

"Considering that in the meantime it would be appropriate for the Council, with the assistance of its Committee on Rural Economic Development, to devote its particular attention to the question of the alienation of land in the Trust Territories.

"1. <u>Decides</u>, in order to facilitate its eventual study of problems of land tenure and land utilization in the Trust Territories, to invite the appropriate specialized agencies, particularly the Food and Agriculture

Organization and the International Labour Organisation, to submit to the Trusteeship Council their observations and suggestions concerning these problems;

- "2. Recommends to the Council that it carry out in the meantime, through its Committee on Rural Economic Development and by such other means as it deems necessary, a separate and special study of the prevailing policies, laws and practices relating to the alienation of land in Trust Territories, taking into account the present and future needs of the indigenous inhabitants from the standpoint of the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System and the future economic requirements of the Territories, as well as the social and economic consequences of the transfer of land to non-indigenous inhabitants;
- "3. Requests the Council to include the results of this study in its next report to the General Assembly."
- 37. At the 729th meeting the <u>United States</u> submitted amendments (A/C.4/L.522) to the revised draft resolution which would:
  - (a) Delete the fifth paragraph of the preamble.
  - (b) In operative paragraph 1, replace the word "<u>Decide</u>"by the words
    "<u>Requests</u> the Trusteeship Council"; the words "and land utilization" by
    the words "land utilization and land alienation"; and the words
    "the Trusteeship Council" by "it".
  - (c) In operative paragraph 2, delete all the words from "carry out" to "relating to" in line 4, and substitute the words "continue to devote particular attention to the question of".
  - (d) In operative paragraph 3, replace the words "this study" by the words "its consideration of this resolution".
- 38. At the 730th meeting, the <u>Dominican Republic</u> submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.525) to replace the third preambular paragraph of the revised draft resolution by the following text:

"Bearing in mind the technical difficulties that the latter Committee has encountered in the various aspects of the study entrusted to it."

- 39. At the 732nd meeting, the representative of the <u>United Kingdom</u> proposed orally the following amendments:
  - (a) In the fourth preambular paragraph and in operative paragraph 1, replace the words "and land utilization" by "land utilization and land alienation";

- (b) In the fifth preambular paragraph, insert the words "continue to" before "devote";
- (c) In operative paragraph 2, replace the words "it carry .... alienation of land" by "through its Committee on Rural Economic Development or by such other means as it deems appropriate, it ensure the early submission of its study of the prevailing policies, laws and practices relating to land tenure, land utilization and land alienation".
- 40. At the same meeting, the sponsors of the draft resolution further reviewed (A/C.4/L.517/Rev.2) their proposal by incorporating all the United Kingdom amendments and by inserting after the second preambular paragraph the paragraph proposed by the Dominican Republic as a substitution for the third preambular paragraph.
- 41. Thereupon, the <u>United States</u> and the <u>Dominican Republic</u> withdrew their amendments and the <u>Committee</u> voted upon the revised draft resolution as follows:

The third preambular paragraph was approved by 58 votes to none, with 11 abstentions.

The fourth preambular paragraph was approved by 50 votes to none, with 24 abstentions.

The <u>draft resolution as a whole</u> was approved unanimously.

42. The text of the draft resolution is annexed to the present report as draft resolution IV.

# F. OFFERS BY MEMBER STATES OF STUDY AND TRAINING FACILITIES FOR INHABITANTS OF TRUST TERRITORIES

- 43. At the 729th meeting, Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, Mexico, Pakistan, Panama, Tunisia and Yemen submitted a draft resolution (A/C.4/I.518), whereby the General Assembly would:
  - 1. Take note of Chapter V, Section D, of Part I of the report of the Trusteeship Council and of the report of the Secretary-General;
  - 2. Reaffirm its resolution 1063 (XI) and once again invite the Administering Authorities to take all necessary measures to ensure that scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States be utilized

by inhabitants of the Trust Territories and to render every assistance to those persons who have been granted scholarships or fellowships;

- 3. Request the Secretary-General to give such assistance as was possible that might be sought by the Members concerned and by the applicants;
- 4. Request the Trusteeship Council to resume, at its 1958 sessions the consideration of this question;
- 5. <u>Invite</u> the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session a detailed report on the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States for the education of the inhabitants of Trust Territories.
- 44. At the same meeting, the Philippines submitted amendments (A/C.4/L.520) to the draft resolution, which would:
  - (a) Add the following after operative paragraph 3:

    "Within the framework of the procedures laid down by the Trusteeship Council;"
    - (b) Redraft operative paragraphs 4 and 5 as follows:
    - "4. Requests the Secretary-General to include in his future reports to the Trusteeship Council detailed information concerning the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States for the education of inhabitants of the Trust Territories.
  - "5. Requests the Trusteeship Council to resume, at its 1958 sessions, the consideration of this question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session."
- 45. At the same meeting, the sponsors revised (A/C.4/L.518/Rev.1) the draft resolution by incorporating the Philippine amendments and by amending the last line of operative paragraph 2 to read: "... assistance to those persons who have applied for, or been granted, scholarships or fellowships.". The Philippines became a co-sponsor of the draft resolution.
- 46. The <u>draft resolution thus revised</u> was approved by the Committee at its 731st meeting by 59 votes to 1, with 6 abstentions.
- 47. The text of the draft resolution is annexed to the present report as draft resolution V.

- G. EFFECTS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN TRUST TERRITORIES
- 48. At its 729th meeting, Argentina, Bolivia, Burma, Ceylon, Costa Rica, Czechoslovakia, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, India, Liberia, Mexico, Panama, the Sudan, Syria and Uruguay submitted a draft resolution (A/C.4/L.519) concerning the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community which provides that certain Trust Territories are to be associated in the Community. By this draft resolution the General Assembly would:
  - 1. <u>Invite</u> the Administering Authorities concerned to submit information to the Trusteeship Council on the said association of the Trust Territories under their administration and on the possible effects of the Treaty on the development of those Territories;
  - 2. Request the Trusteeship Council to include in its report to the next session of the General Assembly a separate section dealing with the effects that the association of certain Trust Territories in the European Economic Community might have on the development of those Territories, in the light of any surveys of this problem carried out by the Secretary-General, in virtue of General Assembly resolution 1153 (XII) of 26 November 1957, by the Economic and Social Council, the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, the Economic Commission for Latin America, or other international bodies, in so far as such surveys were concerned with the development of those Territories;
  - 3. Resolve to resume examination of this question at its thirteenth session.
- 49. The <u>draft resolution</u> was approved by the Committee at its 731st meeting by 43 votes to 14, with 7 abstentions.
- 50. The text of the draft resolution is annexed to the present report as draft resolution VI.

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51. The Committee accordingly recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolutions I to VI below.

#### Draft resolution I

## Report of the Trusteeship Council covering the period from 15 August 1956 to 12 July 1957

#### The General Assembly,

Having examined the report of the Trusteeship Council covering the period from 15 August 1956 to 12 July 1957, 1/2

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Trusteeship Council;
- 2. Recommends that the Trusteeship Council, in its future deliberations, take into account the comments and suggestions made in the course of the discussion of the report at the twelfth session of the General Assembly.

#### Draft resolution II

#### Economic advancement of Somaliland under Italian administration

#### The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 855 (IX) of 14 December 1954, in which it requested the Trusteeship Council, on the basis of the conclusions of the 1954 Visiting Mission to Trust Territories in East Africa and the report of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, to endeavour to decide on practical measures for financing the economic development plans for Somaliland under Italian administration.

Having examined with interest the report of the Mission of the International Bank (T/1296), and the observations thereon of the Administering Authority, the Government of Somalia and the United Nations Advisory Council,

Having taken note of the statement of the Administering Authority that the Territory would require, after 1960, external financial assistance, excluding technical assistance, amounting to about \$4 to \$5 million annually,

Having considered the various possibilities suggested by the Trusteeship Council of furnishing technical and financial assistance to Somaliland under Italian administration after 1960, and noting the conclusion of the Council,

<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Twelfth Session, Supplement No. 4 (A/3595 and Corr.1).

with which the Administering Authority is in agreement, that it is premature to make any specific recommendation as to the amount of external assistance which might be required after 1960,

- 1. Notes from the report of the Trusteeship Council (A/3595 and Corr.1) that the Administering Authority, in consultation with the Government of Somalia, will continue to assess all requirements for a viable, independent Somalia, will explore all possible ways of meeting the requirements indicated by these assessments and will submit a report thereon to the Council at its twenty-second session;
- 2. Requests the Trusteeship Council to continue its study of this question, in consultation with the Administering Authority and the Government of Somalia, and, in particular, to explore further the possibilities suggested by the Council and to report thereon for the consideration of the General Assembly at its thirteenth session.

#### Draft resolution III

Attainment of self-government or independence by Trust Territories

#### The General Assembly,

Considering that, in accordance with the provisions of Article 76 b of the Charter of the United Nations, one of the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System is the progressive development of the inhabitants of Trust Territories towards self-government or independence,

Recalling that the General Assembly, in its resolution 558 (VI) of 18 January 1952, invited the Administering Authority of each Trust Territory, inter alia, to estimate the period of time in which the Trust Territories concerned would attain self-government or independence,

Recalling also that the General Assembly, in its resolution 1064 (XI) of 26 February 1957, recommended that the Administering Authorities concerned take the necessary measures to ensure that the Trust Territories of Tanganyika, the Cameroons under British administration, the Cameroons under French administration, Togoland under French administration and Ruanda-Urundi achieve self-government or independence at an early date, and further invited the Administering

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Authorities concerned to estimate the period of time required for the attainment of self-government or independence by all Trust Territories, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 558 (VI),

Having examined part III of the report of the Trusteeship Council (A/3595 and Corr.1),

Noting with satisfaction that the Trusteeship Council has recommended that the Administering Authorities indicate such successive intermediate targets and dates in the political, economic, social and educational development of the Trust Territories as will create the pre-conditions for their attainment of self-government or independence,

Noting with disappointment that the Administering Authorities concerned have not yet submitted the estimated periods of time required by the Trust Territories for the attainment of the final objective of trusteeship, namely, self-government or independence,

Conscious of the importance of estimating the time required for the attainment by Trust Territories of self-government or independence,

- 1. Reaffirms its resolutions 558 (VI) of 18 January 1952 and 1064 (XI) of 26 February 1957, and once again invites the Administering Authorities to implement the terms of those resolutions;
- 2. Requests the Trusteeship Council to report to the General Assembly at its thirteenth session on the progress made in implementing the present resolution.

#### Draft resolution IV

### Rural economic development of the Trust Territories

### The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 438 (V) of 2 December 1950, recommending that the Trusteeship Council consider the prevailing policies, laws and practices which, in the Trust Territories, relate to land, land utilization and the alienation of land, taking into account the present and future needs of the indigenous inhabitants from the standpoint of the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System and the future economic requirements of the Territories, as well as the social and economic consequences of the transfer of land to non-indigenous inhabitants.

Having noted the actions of the Trusteeship Council in this field, both through its regular procedures for the examination of conditions in the Trust Territories and through the establishment of a Committee on Rural Economic Development,

Bearing in mind the technical difficulties that the Committee has encountered in the various aspects of the study entrusted to it,

Noting with regret that the Committee has not yet been able to carry out the aforementioned study,

Considering that the questions of land tenure, land utilization and land alienation call for analysis and opinion of a technical and expert nature, and recalling in this connexion its resolution 561 (VI) of 18 January 1952,

Considering that, in the meantime, it would be appropriate for the Trusteeship Council, with the assistance of its Committee on Rural Economic Development, to continue to devote its particular attention to the question of the alienation of land in the Trust Territories,

- l. <u>Decides</u>, in order to facilitate its eventual study of problems of land tenure, land utilization and land alienation in the Trust Territories, to invite the appropriate specialized agencies, particularly the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the International Labour Organization, to submit to the Trusteeship Council their observations and suggestions concerning these problems;
- Rural Economic Development or by such other means as it deems appropriate, it ensure the early submission of its study of the prevailing policies, laws and practices relating to land tenure, land utilization and land alienation in Trust Territories, taking into account the present and future needs of the indigenous inhabitants from the standpoint of the basic requirements of the Territories, as well as the social and economic consequences of the transfer of land to non-indigenous inhabitants:
- 3. Requests the Trusteeship Council to include the results of this study in its next report to the General Assembly.

#### Draft resolution V

### Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories

#### The General Assembly,

Having examined chapter V, section D, of part I of the report of the Trusteeship Council (A/3595 and Corr.1) and the report of the Secretary-General on offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories (A/3718 and Corr.1),

Recalling that, in its resolutions 753 (VIII) of 9 December 1953 and 1063 (XI) of 26 February 1957, the General Assembly recommended that the Administering Authorities of the Trust Territories take all such measures as would ensure the greatest possible use by inhabitants of the Trust Territories of the scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States,

Noting that the major part of the scholarships offered by Member States remains unutilized,

- 1. Takes note of chapter V, section D, of part I of the report of the Trusteeship Council and of the report of the Secretary-General on offers of study and training facilities;
- 2. Reaffirms its resolution 1063 (XI) of 26 February 1957, and once again invites the Administering Authorities to take all necessary measures to ensure that scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States may be utilized by inhabitants of the Trust Territories and to render every assistance to those persons who have applied for, or have been granted, scholarships or fellowships;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to give such assistance as is possible and as may be sought by the Members concerned and by the applicants within the framework of the procedures laid down by the Trusteeship Council;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to include, in his future reports to the Trusteeship Council, detailed information concerning the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States for the education of inhabitants of the Trust Territories;
- 5. Requests the Trusteeship Council to resume, at its sessions held in 1958, the consideration of this question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at the thirteenth session.

#### Draft resolution VI

### Effects of the European Economic Community on the development of certain Trust Territories

#### The General Assembly,

Having examined the report of the Trusteeship Council covering the period from 15 August 1956 to 12 July 1957 (A/3595 and Corr.1),

Having observed that the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community provides that certain Trust Territories are to be associated with the Community,

Believing that this association may have significant effects on the development of such Territories.

- 1. <u>Invites</u> the Administering Authorities concerned to submit information to the Trusteeship Council on the said association of the Trust Territories under their administration with the European Economic Community and on the possible effects of the Treaty on the development of those Territories;
- Requests the Trusteeship Council to include in its report to the next session of the General Assembly a separate section dealing with the effects that the association of certain Trust Territories with the Community may have on the development of those Territories, in the light of any surveys of this problem carried out by the Secretary-General in virtue of General Assembly resolution 1153 (XII) of 26 November 1957, by the Economic and Social Council, the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, the Economic Commission for Latin America, or other international bodies, in so far as such surveys are concerned with the development of those Territories;
  - 3. Resolves to resume examination of this question at its thirteenth session.