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Report of the Fourth Committee

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1. At its 881st plenary meeting on 1 October 1960, the General Assembly allocated to the Fourth Committee the following items on its agenda:

"37. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations: reports of the Secretary-General 1/ and of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories: 2/

(a) Progress achieved by the Non-Self-Governing Territories in pursuance of Chapter XI of the Charter; 3/

1/ A/4360 - A/4368 [ST/TRI/B.1959/1 and Add.1 and 2 - 9].

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/4371)

3/ Progress of the Non-Self-Governing Territories under the Charter. ST/TRI/SER.A/15/Vol.5, A/4105 - 4109, 4114, 4124, 4128 and Corr.1, 4129, 4131, 4134, 4136, 4137, 4142, 4144, 4152, 4162 and Corr.1 (English and Spanish only), 4165 - 4167, 4175, 4178, 4181, and 4192 - 4195; and Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/4371), part one, section VI and part two.

- (b) Information on economic conditions; 4/
 - (c) Information on other conditions; 5/
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41. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report by the Secretary-General." 10/
2. At its 1003rd meeting, on 3 October 1960, the Committee decided to take up items 37, 39, 40 and 41 together, and that, following a general debate on these items, it would then take up the separate items and sub-items as necessary.
3. At the 1005th meeting, the representatives of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland reserved the positions of their Governments with respect to the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas) and the Falkland Islands dependencies. The representative of Chile reserved the position of his Government with regard to the Chilean Antarctic territory concerning part of which the United Kingdom transmits information as included in the Falkland Islands dependencies. The representatives of Guatemala and the United Kingdom reserved

4/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/4371) part one, section VII, and part three.

5/ Ibid., part one, sections VIII and X.

6/ Ibid., part one, section IX.

7/ A/4470.

8/ A/4471, Add.1, and Add.1/Corr.1 (English only).

9/ A/4472 and Add.1.

10/ A/4473 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3.

the position of their Governments in respect of British Honduras (Belize). The representative of Mexico restated the position of his Government that, if the status of British Honduras (Belize) were changed, the right of his Government over part of that Territory would have to be taken into account. The representative of Guatemala restated the position of his Government in connexion with the statement by the representative of Mexico.

4. The representative of Morocco reserved the position of his Government in respect of sovereignty over Mauritania, Ifni, Saguia-el-Hamra, Ceuta and Melilla. The representative of France reserved the position of his Government in respect of Mauritania. The positions of their Governments were stated by the representative of Iraq on Mauritania, Indonesia on Ifni and Mauritania, Jordan and Lebanon on Ifni and Saguia-el-Hamra, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, the United Arab Republic and Yemen on Ifni, Saguia-el-Hamra and Mauritania. The representative of Spain reserved the position of his Government in respect of Ifni, Saguia-el-Hamra, Ceuta and Melilla.

5. The representative of Indonesia reserved the position of his Government with respect to sovereignty over, and the transmission of information on, West Irian (Netherlands New Guinea). The representative of the Netherlands reserved the position of his Government with respect to sovereignty over, and the transmission of information on, Netherlands New Guinea (West Irian). The representatives of Burma, Iraq, India, Ceylon, Saudi Arabia, Morocco, the United Arab Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics stated the positions of their Governments on West Irian (Netherlands New Guinea). The representative of Australia stated the position of his Government in respect of Netherlands New Guinea (West Irian).

6. At the 1006th meeting, the representatives of Spain and the United Kingdom reserved the positions of their Governments in respect of Gibraltar. The representatives of Yemen and the United Kingdom reserved the positions of their Governments in respect of Aden Colony and Protectorate. The representatives of Lebanon and Morocco stated the positions of their Governments in respect of sovereignty over Aden.

7. From its 1006th to its 1019th meetings inclusive, from 10 to 21 October 1960, the Committee heard statements in the general debate on items 37, 39, 40 and 41.

8. At the 1020th meeting, when the Committee took up the first draft resolution^{11/} before it, the representative of Bulgaria suggested that the Committee should postpone consideration of that and other draft resolutions relating to conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories pending a decision of the General Assembly on item 87 of its agenda concerning the declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples.
9. The representative of Venezuela suggested that the Committee should continue its work and reach decisions on the draft resolutions before it, but that it should postpone submitting its draft report on these items to the General Assembly until a decision had been taken on the item referred to by the representative of Bulgaria.
10. The representative of Guinea suggested that the Committee should request the Chairman to approach the President of the General Assembly with a view to having that item considered as soon as possible in the plenary meetings, since the outcome of the consideration of the declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples would have serious effects on the work of the Committee.
11. At its 1021st meeting, the Chairman informed the Committee that he had approached the President of the General Assembly on this matter and had received the assurance of the President that the Fourth Committee would be informed as soon as a date on the debate on item 87 had been fixed.
12. Subsequently, the Committee resumed its consideration of the draft resolutions relating to the Non-Self-Governing Territories, on the understanding that the report of the Fourth Committee on these items would not be submitted to the General Assembly until a decision had been taken on the declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples.

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UNDER ARTICLE 73 e OF THE CHARTER

13. In the course of the general debate, many representatives drew attention to the lack of information on the territories administered by Portugal and Spain.

^{11/} A/C.4/L.639/Rev.1 on the participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies. See paras. 48-54.

The representatives of Portugal and Spain reserved the positions of their Governments.

14. At the 1007th meeting, during the general debate, the representative of Mexico referred to paragraph 103 of part One of the 1960 Report of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/4371), and expressed the view that the state of affairs in the French Territories in the Americas did not exempt the Government of France from the obligation to transmit information. At the 1008th meeting, the representative of France stated that France no longer administered any colonies, and he considered that the point raised by the representative of Mexico had no relevance to the items under discussion. The Territories in the Americas, referred to by the representative of Mexico, had free assemblies and free representation.

15. At the 1019th meeting, under sub-item (d), the representative of Ghana drew attention to the lack of information on French Somaliland and the Comoro Archipelago and to the delay in the transmission of information by the United Kingdom on Malta. In reply, the representative of France stated that, in accordance with the wishes expressed by the inhabitants, French Somaliland and the Comoro Archipelago were now self-governing and, accordingly, they no longer came within the scope of Chapter XI of the Charter. The representative of the United Kingdom informed the Committee that the information on Malta would be transmitted in time for the next session of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories.

16. At the 1023rd meeting, Argentina, Burma, Ceylon, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia and Sweden submitted a draft resolution on the preparation and training of indigenous civil and technical cadres in Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/C.4/L.641). Canada, Morocco and Pakistan joined as co-sponsors (A/C.4/L.641/Add.1). Under the terms of this draft resolution, the General Assembly would, inter alia: (1) urge the Administering Members to take immediate measures aimed at the rapid development of indigenous civil and technical cadres and at the replacement of expatriate personnel by local officers; (2) invite the Administering Members to make full use of the United Nations technical assistance programmes for training in public administration; and (3) request the Administering Members to transmit special reports on the civil and technical services in the Territories so as to enable the Committee on

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories at its 1961 session to examine such information and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session.

17. At the 1024th meeting, the representative of Liberia orally proposed an amendment to operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution which would replace the words "local officers" by the words "indigenous officers". This amendment was accepted by the sponsors.

18. At the same meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution. The draft resolution, as orally revised, was adopted by a roll-call vote of 73 to none, with 9 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Burma, Cambodia, Canada, Central African Republic, Ceylon, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Federation of Malaya, Finland, France, Gabon, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Union of South Africa, United Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against: None.

Abstaining: Albania, Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

19. The text as approved by the Committee appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution I.

Progress achieved by the Non-Self-Governing Territories in pursuance of Chapter XI of the Charter

20. By resolution 1461 (XIV) of 12 December 1959, the General Assembly requested the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories to examine the

Progress Report^{12/} with a view to ascertaining the progress made by the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the light of the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter, and requested the Committee to submit its observations and conclusions thereon to the General Assembly at its fifteenth session.

21. The Fourth Committee accordingly had before it the Progress Report prepared by the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies and the observations and conclusions submitted by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/4371, part two). As the progress achieved by the Non-Self-Governing Territories had been the main theme of most of the statements in the general debate, the Committee did not give further separate consideration to this sub-item.

22. At the 1023rd meeting, Nigeria and Venezuela submitted a draft resolution on the transmission of information on political progress in the Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/C.4/L.640). A revised text of the draft resolution was submitted by Burma, Ceylon, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Libya, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Sudan, Togo, the United Arab Republic and Venezuela (A/C.4/L.640/Rev.1), who were later joined by Somalia and Morocco (A/C.4/L.640/Rev.1/Add.1 and 2) as co-sponsors. Under the operative part of this revised draft resolution, the General Assembly, after taking note of the Progress Report and the comments thereon of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories, would state:

"The General Assembly

...

"3. Welcomes the progress in its various aspects achieved in many of the Non-Self-Governing Territories and notes that in spite of the increased tempo of change, a substantial number of Territories still remain non-self-governing, and that in the great majority of these the achievements of the period fall short of the needs of the inhabitants of these Territories;

"4. Expresses its satisfaction that since 1946 a number of former Non-Self-Governing Territories have become Members of the United Nations after acceding to independence, and that the transmission of information on some

^{12/} Progress of the Non-Self-Governing Territories under the Charter, op. cit., footnote 3.

others has ceased, with the approval of the General Assembly, after the achievement of the objectives of the Charter;

"5. Considers that, while rapid economic, social and educational advancement must be directed towards the realization of the goal of independence of Non-Self-Governing Territories, under no circumstances should independence be delayed on the ground of inadequate economic, social and educational standards prevailing in the Territories;

"6. Requests the Administering Members to strengthen their efforts in the economic, social and educational fields with the full participation of the indigenous inhabitants of the Territories in all fields of activity by transferring to them effective powers so that during the period of transition from dependence to independence the Non-Self-Governing Territories are able to establish sound foundations for their future;

"7. Further notes that in spite of some reference in the Progress Report to constitutional and political developments in some of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, the absence of information of a political and constitutional character on a majority of Non-Self-Governing Territories renders it impossible to assess the extent of their progress towards the goals of the Charter;

"8. Considers that a full knowledge of the political and constitutional developments in Non-Self-Governing Territories is essential not only to a proper evaluation of the progress of the Territories towards independence but also to that of their economic, social and cultural advancement;

"9. Urges the Administering Members concerned, once again, to extend their full co-operation to the General Assembly in the performance of its functions by transmitting information of a political and constitutional character on developments in the Territories under their respective administrations;

"10. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the Progress Report and the observations and conclusions prepared by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories to Member States responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the Economic and Social Council, to the regional economic commissions, and to the specialized agencies concerned, for necessary action."

23. The Committee considered this draft resolution at its 1024th to its 1026th meeting inclusive.

24. At the 1024th meeting, the representative of Liberia orally proposed amendments to operative paragraph 3, which would: (1) add the word "gradual" before "progress"; and (2) substitute the word "some" for "many". The sponsors accepted the second of the two amendments.

25. At the same meeting, the representative of Morocco orally proposed to delete in operative paragraph 5 the words "realization of the goal of". This was accepted by the sponsors.
26. The representative of Ireland orally suggested that the sponsors replace the last part of operative paragraph 5, after the words "Non-Self-Governing Territories" by "independence should not be delayed until economic, social and educational problems have been solved".
27. In response to the suggestion of the representative of Ireland, the sponsors revised the text of operative paragraph 5 to read as follows:

"Considers that, while rapid economic, social and educational advancement must be directed towards the independence of Non-Self-Governing Territories, independence should not be delayed on the ground of inadequate economic, social and educational standards prevailing in the Territories;"

28. At the 1025th meeting, Guinea submitted amendments (A/C.4/L.644) and a drafting change for the French text of operative paragraph 9. The drafting change was accepted by the Committee. The amendments were as follows: (1) in operative paragraph 3, replace the opening phrase "Welcomes the progress in its various aspects achieved in many of the Non-Self-Governing Territories and notes", by the words "Notes that progress has been achieved in some of the Non-Self-Governing Territories and"; (2) in operative paragraph 5, replace the words "under no circumstances should independence be delayed on the ground of inadequate economic, social and educational standards prevailing in the Territories" by the phrase "The inadequate level of economic, social and educational development in the Territories should never serve as a pretext for deferring their accession to independence"; (3) in operative paragraph 6, replace the word "Requests" by the word "Urges"; and (4) in operative paragraph 7, insert the words "with regret" after the words "Further notes".
29. At the 1026th meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution (A/C.4/L.640/Rev.1 and Rev.1/Add.1 and 2) as revised by the sponsors, and the amendments submitted by Guinea (A/C.4/L.644) with the following results:

- (1) The amendment submitted by Guinea to operative paragraph 3 was adopted by 25 votes to 17, with 37 abstentions.

(2) Operative paragraph 3, as amended, was adopted by 56 votes to none, with 19 abstentions.

(3) The amendment submitted by Guinea to operative paragraph 5 was adopted by a roll-call vote of 32 to 2, with 51 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cameroun, Central African Republic, Chad, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Dahomey, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Hungary, Liberia, Mali, Morocco, Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Togo, Tunisia, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia.

Against: Chile, Italy.

Abstaining: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Burma, Cambodia, Canada, Ceylon, China, Cyprus, Denmark, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Federation of Malaya, Finland, France, Gabon, Ghana, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Senegal, Somalia, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, United Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Yemen.

(4) Operative paragraph 5, as amended, was adopted by 64 votes to none, with 20 abstentions.

(5) The amendment submitted by Guinea to operative paragraph 6 was adopted by 39 votes to 2, with 38 abstentions.

(6) Operative paragraph 6, as amended, was adopted by 61 votes to none, with 17 abstentions.

(7) The amendment submitted by Guinea to operative paragraph 7 was adopted by 29 votes to 12, with 34 abstentions.

(8) Operative paragraph 7, as amended, was adopted by 59 votes to 3, with 19 abstentions.

(9) The draft resolution, as a whole, as amended, was adopted by a roll-call vote of 61 to none, with 24 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Argentina, Brazil, Burma, Cambodia, Cameroun, Central African Republic, Ceylon, Chad, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Dahomey, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Federation of Malaya, Gabon, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Republic, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against: None.

Abstaining: Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Chile, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Finland, France, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

30. The text as approved by the Committee appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution II.

Information on economic and other conditions

31. At the 1027th meeting, Afghanistan, Bolivia, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Morocco, Nigeria, Sudan, Togo and the United Arab Republic submitted a draft resolution on the question of racial discrimination in the Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/C.4/L.643). Subsequently, Somalia (A/C.4/L.643/Add.1) and Guinea, Iraq, Liberia, Nepal, Panama and Senegal (A/C.4/L.643/Add.2) joined as co-sponsors. Under this draft resolution, the General Assembly would: (1) endorse the view that racial discrimination is not only a violation of human rights, but also constitutes a deterrent to progress in all fields of development in the Non-Self-Governing Territories; (2) recommend that the Administering Members immediately rescind or revoke all laws and regulations which tend to encourage or sanction, directly or indirectly, discriminatory policies and practices based on racial considerations, and that they do their utmost to discourage such practices by

all other means possible; (3) urge the Administering Members to give full and immediate effect to the recommendation that measures to solve the problem of race relations should include the extension to all inhabitants of the full exercise of basic political rights, in particular the right to vote, and the establishment of equality among the members of all races inhabiting the Non-Self-Governing Territories; and (4) request the Administering Members to furnish all relevant information relating to this resolution to the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories so as to enable it to submit a report to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session.

32. The Committee considered this draft resolution at its 1027th and 1028th meetings.

33. At the 1027th meeting, the representative of the United Kingdom orally suggested to the sponsors changes in the wording of the text along the following lines: (1) in operative paragraph 2, to replace the words "immediately to rescind or revoke all laws", by a phrase such as "to take steps as soon as possible to secure the revocation of all laws"; and (2) in operative paragraph 3, to replace the words "to give full and immediate effect" by, for instance, "to give full effect at the earliest possible time". The sponsors did not accept these suggested changes.

34. At the same meeting, Haiti submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.646) to operative paragraph 3, which would replace the word "inhabitants" in the phrase "the extension to all inhabitants" by the word "citizens".

35. At the 1028th meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution (A/C.4/L.643) and the amendment submitted by Haiti (A/C.4/L.646).

(1) The amendment submitted by Haiti was rejected by 33 votes to 9, with 32 abstentions.

(2) Operative paragraph 2 was adopted by 73 votes to none, with 2 abstentions.

(3) Operative paragraph 3 was adopted by 68 votes to none, with 7 abstentions.

(4) The draft resolution, as a whole, was adopted by a roll-call vote of 74 to none, with 2 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cambodia, Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Federation of Malaya, Finland, France, Gabon, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Somalia, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United States of America, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against: None.

Abstaining: Australia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

36. The text as approved by the Committee appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution III.

37. At the 1030th meeting, the Committee, by a vote of 63 to none, with 9 abstentions, approved the draft resolution on the report on economic conditions submitted by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/4371, part one, annex II).

38. The text of the draft resolution, as approved by the Fourth Committee, appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution IV.

New developments connected with the association of Non-Self-Governing Territories with the European Economic Community

39. Under General Assembly resolution 1470 (XIV) of 12 December 1959, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to prepare a report on new developments connected with the association of Non-Self-Governing Territories with the European Economic Community. In a note by the Secretariat (A/4470), the General Assembly was informed that it had not been possible to prepare such a report owing to the lack of relevant material. Moreover, as a result of recent

constitutional changes, it was no longer possible for the Secretariat to report on the former African Non-Self-Governing Territories directly associated with the European Economic Community.

40. References to the association of the Non-Self-Governing Territories with the European Economic Community were made by some representatives during the general debate, and, further, at the 1030th meeting.

41. The Fourth Committee had before it A/4470. It was also informed by the Secretariat that a study on the impact of the European economic group on African trade and economic development was at present being prepared by the Secretariat of the Economic Commission for Africa. The Fourth Committee noted that relevant excerpts from that study would be made available to the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories at its session in the spring of 1961.

DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ON THE UNITED NATIONS IN NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES

42. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 1465 (XIV) of 12 December 1959, the Secretary-General prepared a report on the dissemination of information on the United Nations in the Non-Self-Governing Territories (A/4471).

43. In the early part of the general debate, some references were made to the lack of information on this subject from the Administering Members. At the 1008th meeting, the representative of the United Kingdom drew the attention of the Committee to a note dated 30 September 1960 by which his Government had transmitted to the Secretary-General a memorandum on the results of a review carried out by the United Kingdom Government of all types of publicity material about the United Nations and the specialized agencies in the Territories under its administration. The memorandum was reproduced as an addendum (A/4471/Add.1) to the report of the Secretary-General on this item.

44. At the 1029th meeting, Burma submitted a draft resolution (A/C.4/L.647) by which the General Assembly would seek to strengthen measures for the dissemination of information on the United Nations in the Non-Self-Governing Territories under their administration. Among other measures, the General Assembly would:

- (1) invite the Administering Members to make further efforts to secure the active support and participation of the representative organizations of the inhabitants;
- (2) invite the Administering Members to broaden the scope and accelerate the process of dissemination of information and to develop public awareness of, and

interest in, the United Nations by making full use of facilities provided by the United Nations Office of Public Information for the purpose of disseminating information; and (3) request the Secretary-General to take action towards the establishment of information centres in the Non-Self-Governing Territories such as Eastern and Central Africa, Papua and the Caribbean Territories.

45. At the 1030th meeting, the representative of Burma orally revised the text of operative paragraph 6 to read: "such as those in Eastern and Central Africa ...".

46. At the same meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution, as orally revised, submitted by Burma (A/C.4/L.647). It was adopted by 63 votes to none, with 13 abstentions.

47. The text as approved by the Committee appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution V.

PARTICIPATION OF THE NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES IN THE WORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

48. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 1466 (XIV) of 12 December 1959, the Secretary-General prepared a report on the participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies (A/4472 and Add.1). In the course of the general debate on Non-Self-Governing Territories, references were made to the lack of information from the Administering Members concerning measures they had taken to implement the Assembly's resolution.

49. At the 1019th meeting, Ethiopia, Guinea, Haiti, Iraq, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Somalia, Sudan, Tunisia, the United Arab Republic, Venezuela and Yugoslavia submitted a draft resolution on the participation of Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies (A/C.4/L.639). Subsequently, the sponsors submitted a revised text (A/C.4/L.639/Rev.1 and Add.1) in which Ceylon, Cuba, Ghana, Iran, Jordan and Saudi Arabia joined as co-sponsors. Under this draft resolution, the General Assembly would, inter alia, invite the Administering Members to arrange for the increased participation of duly qualified representatives of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the appropriate organs of the United Nations, the regional economic commissions and the specialized agencies according to the constitutions of each organ.

50. The Committee considered this draft resolution from its 1020th to its 1022nd meeting, inclusive.

51. At the 1020th meeting, the Philippines submitted an amendment (A/C.4/L.642) to add to the end of operative paragraph 2 the phrase "with the right fully to be heard on matters of particular concern to them but without the right to vote". This amendment was withdrawn at the 1022nd meeting.

52. At the same meeting, the representative of India orally proposed amendments: (1) in operative paragraph 1, to delete the words "through the participation of duly qualified representatives", and to insert the words "of representatives of the indigenous peoples" after the words "direct participation"; and (2) in operative paragraph 3, to replace the words "duly qualified representatives" by the words "such representatives".

53. At the same meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution and the oral amendments proposed by the representative of India.

(1) The amendments proposed by India were adopted by 42 votes to 3, with 31 abstentions.

(2) The draft resolution, as a whole, as amended, was adopted by a roll-call vote of 67 to none, with 12 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bolivia, Brazil, Burma, Cambodia, Canada, Ceylon, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Federation of Malaya, Finland, France, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Against: None.

Abstaining: Albania, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, Guinea, Hungary, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of South Africa, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

54. The text as approved by the Committee appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution VI.

OFFERS OF STUDY AND TRAINING FACILITIES UNDER RESOLUTION 845 (IX)
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55. The Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/4473 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3), submitted in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1471 (XIV) of 12 December 1959.

56. At the 1029th meeting, Ceylon, Somalia, Venezuela and Yugoslavia submitted a draft resolution (A/C.4/L.645), under which the General Assembly would once again request the Administering Members and the offering States to take steps to make it possible for the inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories to make the widest possible use of the scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States. In operative paragraph 7, the General Assembly would request the Secretary-General "to give such assistance as is possible, and as may be sought by the Member States concerned and by the applicants".

57. On behalf of the sponsors, the representative of Ceylon orally revised the text of operative paragraph 7 to add after the words "Secretary-General", the words "and specialized agencies of the United Nations".

58. At the same meeting, the Committee voted on the draft resolution as orally revised, and adopted it unanimously.

59. The text as approved by the Committee appears in paragraph 60 of the present report as draft resolution VII.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FOURTH COMMITTEE

60. Pending further consideration of these items by the Committee at the resumed session, in the light of resolution 1514 (XV) adopted by the General Assembly on 14 December 1960, the Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Preparation and training of indigenous civil and technical
cadres in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Having examined the report on the progress achieved in the Non-Self-Governing Territories^{13/} since the establishment of the United Nations,

Noting that while information is not available in the report as to the strength, the composition and the state of training of indigenous civil and technical personnel employed in all the various branches of administration in Non-Self-Governing Territories, the report gives evidence of the serious shortages of trained personnel of all kinds in these Territories,

Considering that the existence of adequate personnel of this kind is indispensable to the effective implementation of plans and programmes of development in the educational, social and economic fields,

Bearing in mind that suitably trained indigenous civil and technical cadres are essential to the efficient functioning of the administrations of the Territories,

Believing that the absence of such cadres has, in the past, resulted in serious administrative dislocation in certain Territories upon their attainment of independence, and that their very expeditious development in the remaining Non-Self-Governing Territories will assist in the transfer of full control of powers, in conditions of stability, from the Administering Members to the administrations of Territories emerging from the status of non-self-government,

1. Urges the Administering Members to take immediate measures aimed at the rapid development of indigenous civil and technical cadres and at the replacement of expatriate personnel by indigenous officers;
2. Invites the Administering Members to make full use of the United Nations technical assistance programmes for training in public administration and related fields;
3. Requests the Administering Members to transmit, before the next session of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories, special reports setting out all available information on the training facilities for, and the current strength, composition, state of preparation, etc., of civil and

technical services in the Territories for which they are respectively responsible, so as to enable the Committee, at its twelfth session, to undertake an examination of such information and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session;

4. Further requests the Administering Members to include such information on their Territories regularly in their annual reports to the Secretary-General under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Progress achieved in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 932 (X) of 8 November 1955 and 1053 (XI) of 20 February 1957, by which it invited the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the specialized agencies concerned, to prepare a report on the progress that has been achieved in the Non-Self-Governing Territories in accordance with the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter since the establishment of the United Nations,

Having regard to the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter, and particularly the objectives of sub-paragraphs a and b of Article 73,

1. Takes note of the report on progress achieved in the Non-Self-Governing Territories^{14/} prepared by the Secretary-General in collaboration with the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 932 (X) and 1053 (XI);

2. Notes with appreciation the observations and conclusions on the progress report^{15/} prepared by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1461 (XIV) of 12 December 1959;

^{14/} Ibid.

^{15/} A/4371, part two.

3. Notes that progress has been achieved in some of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, and notes that, in spite of the increased tempo of change, a substantial number of Territories still remain non-self-governing and that in the great majority of these the achievements of the period fall short of the needs of the inhabitants of these Territories;

4. Expresses its satisfaction that since 1946 a number of former Non-Self-Governing Territories have become Members of the United Nations after acceding to independence, and that the transmission of information on some others has ceased, with the approval of the General Assembly, after the achievement of the objectives of the Charter;

5. Considers that, while rapid economic, social and educational advancement must be directed towards the independence of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, the inadequate level of economic, social and educational development in the Territories should never serve as a pretext for deferring their accession to independence;

6. Urges the Administering Members to strengthen their efforts in the economic, social and educational fields with the full participation of the indigenous inhabitants of the Territories in all fields of activity by transferring to them effective powers so that during the period of transition from dependence to independence the Non-Self-Governing Territories are able to establish sound foundations for their future;

7. Further notes, with regret, that, in spite of some reference in the progress report to constitutional and political developments in some of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, the absence of information of a political and constitutional character on a majority of these Territories renders it impossible to assess the extent of their progress towards the goals of the Charter;

8. Considers that a full knowledge of the political and constitutional developments in Non-Self-Governing Territories is essential not only to a proper evaluation of the progress of the Territories towards independence but also to that of their economic, social and cultural advancement;

9. Urges the Administering Members concerned, once again, to extend their full co-operation to the General Assembly in the performance of its functions by transmitting information of a political and constitutional character on developments in the Territories under their respective administrations;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the progress report and the observations and conclusions prepared by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories to the Member States responsible for the administration of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the Economic and Social Council, to the regional economic commissions, and to the specialized agencies concerned, for necessary action.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

Racial discrimination in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling that it is among the purposes and principles of the United Nations to ensure equal rights, and to promote respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion,

Recalling further that in its resolutions 644 (VII) of 10 December 1952 and 1328 (XIII) of 12 December 1958, it recommended the adoption of certain measures for the abolition of all practices and policies of discrimination on racial grounds in the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

Noting with deep concern, from the information available in the report on the progress achieved in the Non-Self-Governing Territories that racial discrimination persists in several Territories and that in some cases discriminatory practices continue to be reinforced by law and regulation,^{16/}

1. Endorses the view of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories^{17/} that not only is racial discrimination a violation of human rights, but it also constitutes a deterrent to progress in all fields of development in the Non-Self-Governing Territories;

2. Recommends that the Administering Members immediately rescind or revoke all laws and regulations which tend to encourage or sanction, directly or indirectly, discriminatory policies and practices based on racial considerations, and that they do their utmost to discourage such practices by all other means possible;

^{16/} See A/4371, part two, para. 177.

^{17/} Ibid., para. 188.

3. Urges the Administering Members to give full and immediate effect to the recommendation of the Committee on Information^{18/} that measures to solve the problem of race relations should include the extension to all inhabitants of the full exercise of basic political rights, in particular the right to vote, and the establishment of equality among the members of all races inhabiting the Non-Self-Governing Territories;

4. Requests the Administering Members to furnish all relevant information relating to this resolution to the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories so as to enable the latter to submit a report to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session.

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV

Report on economic conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling that by resolution 564 (VI) of 18 January 1952 it approved the special report drawn up in 1951^{19/} as a brief but considered indication of economic conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories and the problems of economic development,

Recalling further that by resolution 846 (IX) of 22 November 1954 it approved another special report on economic conditions^{20/} as a supplement to the 1951 report,

Recalling also that by resolution 1152 (XII) of 26 November 1957 it approved a further special report on economic conditions,^{21/}

Having received and considered a further report on economic conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories^{22/} prepared by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories at its eleventh session in 1960,

18/ Ibid.

19/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/1836), part three.

20/ Ibid., Ninth Session, Supplement No. 18 (A/2729), part two.

21/ Ibid., Twelfth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/3647 and Corr.1 (English and French only)), part two.

22/ A/4371, part three.

1. Takes note of the report on economic conditions in Non-Self-Governing Territories prepared by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories at its last session and considers that this report should be studied in connexion with the other reports mentioned above;

2. Invites the Secretary-General to communicate this report to Members of the United Nations responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the Economic and Social Council, to the regional economic commissions, to the Trusteeship Council and to the specialized agencies concerned for their consideration;

3. Expresses its confidence that the Members responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories will bring the report to the attention of the authorities responsible for economic development in those Territories.

DRAFT RESOLUTION V

Dissemination of information on the United Nations in Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1465 (XIV) of 12 December 1959 on the dissemination of information on the United Nations in the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

Reiterating the principle that the interests of the inhabitants of these Territories are paramount,

Considering that the story of the United Nations, its purposes and principles as well as the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights would greatly stimulate the interest of the adult populations of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the political activities and peaceful objectives of the Organization,

Keeping in mind the ever-growing needs for the dissemination of information on the United Nations, particularly as the increased tempo of change has necessitated the immediate launching of public information activities on as wide a scale as possible,

Having examined the special report of the Secretary-General on the present state of dissemination of information concerning the United Nations in these Territories,^{23/}

Considering that the dissemination of information in pursuance of its resolution 1465 (XIV) is still far from satisfactory,

1. Takes note of the special report of the Secretary-General on dissemination of information on the United Nations in the Non-Self-Governing Territories;^{24/}

2. Considers that measures adopted thus far by some Administering Members for the dissemination of information on the United Nations among the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories do not include steps to secure the active support and participation of representative organizations of these inhabitants for the purpose of spreading such information;

3. Invites the Administering Members to make further efforts to secure the active support and participation of the aforementioned representative organizations;

4. Further invites the Administering Members to broaden the scope and accelerate the process of dissemination of information and to develop public awareness of, and interest in, the United Nations by making full use of facilities provided by the United Nations Office of Public Information for the purpose of disseminating information;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to review the quantity, quality and content of the material distributed, in order to meet the growing demand for such material and to assist the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in easy and intelligent understanding of the aims and activities of the United Nations;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to take action towards the establishment of information centres in Territories such as those in Eastern and Central Africa, Papua and the Caribbean Territories;

7. Invites the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session a report on the progress made in implementing the present resolution.

^{23/} A/4471 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1 (English only).

^{24/} Ibid.

DRAFT RESOLUTION VI

Participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of
the United Nations and of the specialized agencies

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 566 (VI) of 18 January 1952, 647 (VII) of 10 December 1952, 744 (VIII) of 19 November 1953 and 1466 (XIV) of 12 December 1959,

Considering that the direct participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies is an effective means of promoting the progress of those Territories and their peoples towards the attainment of the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing that the participation of duly qualified indigenous representatives of the dependent peoples in the consideration of questions of fundamental concern to their welfare is not only useful and desirable but also essential at the present stage of development of the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

Noting that the participation of some Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of certain regional economic commissions and specialized agencies has proved a useful means of promoting the progress of the peoples of those Territories towards complete self-government or independence,

1. Considers that the direct participation of representatives of the indigenous peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the appropriate organs of the United Nations is in the interest of the peoples of those Territories and can do much to accelerate the process of their emancipation;

2. Invites the Administering Members to arrange for the participation of such representatives of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the appropriate organs of the United Nations;

3. Further invites such Administering Members as have not already done so to propose to the specialized agencies and the regional economic commissions the participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of those organs as members or associate members, according to the constitution of each organ, through such representatives;

4. Decides to include this question as a separate item on the agenda of its sixteenth session;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to present a report on the implementation of this resolution to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session.

DRAFT RESOLUTION VII

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities
for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories

The General Assembly,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories under General Assembly resolution 845 (IX) of 22 November 1954,^{25/}

Noting with satisfaction the further response to its resolution 845 (IX) inviting Member States to extend their offers of facilities for study and training to the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories,

Noting the increasing interest among the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in such offers, as indicated by the fourfold increase over the previous year in the number of applications for such facilities in 1959-1960,

Expressing regret that despite this increase a large number of the scholarships so offered by Member States remain unutilized,

Further expressing regret that in several instances the students who have been granted scholarships have not been accorded facilities to leave the Non-Self-Governing Territories in order to take advantage of such scholarships,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on offers of study and training facilities under General Assembly resolution 845 (IX);^{26/}

2. Reaffirms its resolution 1471 (XIV) of 12 December 1959;

3. Invites the Administering Members concerned, once again, to take all necessary measures to ensure that scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States are utilized by the inhabitants of the Non-Self-Governing Territories, and to render every assistance to those persons who have applied

^{25/} A/4473 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3.

^{26/} Ibid.

for, or have been granted, scholarships or fellowships, particularly with regard to facilitating their travel formalities;

4. Requests all Administering Members which have not already done so to give the fullest publicity in the Territories under their administration to all offers of study and training facilities made by Member States;

5. Urges Member States to increase the number of scholarships offered;

6. Requests the Member States offering scholarships to take into account the necessity of furnishing complete information about the scholarships offered, and, whenever possible, the need to provide travel funds to prospective students;

7. Requests the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies to give such assistance as is possible, and as may be sought by the Member States concerned and by the applicants;

8. Further requests the Secretary-General to prepare for the sixteenth session of the General Assembly a report on the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States to students from the Non-Self-Governing Territories.
