



Twentieth session
Agenda items 23 and 71

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE
TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES: REPORTS OF THE SPECIAL
COMMITTEE: TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE ADMINISTRATION

SPECIAL TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE
ADMINISTRATION: REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Report of the Fourth Committee

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1. At its 1336th plenary meeting on 24 September 1965, the General Assembly included in its agenda and allocated to the Fourth Committee item 23 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: reports of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples) and item 71 (Special training programme for Territories under Portuguese administration: reports of the Secretary-General). At the same meeting, the General Assembly decided that item 23, in its general aspects, should be allocated to plenary meetings, and that the chapters of the Special Committee's reports on specific Territories, including those on the Territories under Portuguese administration, should be referred to the Fourth Committee.
2. At its 1517th meeting, on 28 September 1965, the Fourth Committee decided, without objection, that, since the question of the Territories under Portuguese administration was to be examined by the Security Council in the near future, its consideration by the Fourth Committee should be left in abeyance until the Security Council had completed its examination of that question.

3. At its 1563rd meeting, on 19 November, the Fourth Committee decided to consider the chapters of the reports of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to the Territories under Portuguese administration (A/5800/Add.3; A/6000/Add.3 (part I) and Corr.1 and A/6000/Add.3 (part II)) under item 23 jointly with item 71 relating to the reports of the Secretary-General on the special training programme for Territories under Portuguese administration (A/5783 and Add.1, A/6076 and Add.1-2).
4. The Fourth Committee considered the two items at its 1574th, 1584th, 1585th and 1587th meetings, on 2, 10, 13 and 14 December, and at its 1589th to 1592nd meetings, from 15 to 18 December.
5. At the 1584th meeting, on 10 December, the Rapporteur of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples introduced the reports of that Committee concerning the Territories under Portuguese administration (A/5800/Add.3; A/6000/Add.3 (part I) and Corr.1, and A/6000/Add.3 (part II)). In introducing these reports, the Rapporteur drew the attention of the Fourth Committee to part II of the Special Committee's report for 1965 dealing with the study undertaken by that Committee on the activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence in the Territories under Portuguese administration.
6. During its consideration of the items, the Fourth Committee had before it the reports of the Secretary-General on the special training programme for Territories under Portuguese administration submitted to the Assembly in accordance with the request contained in paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 1973 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963 (A/5783 and Add.1; A/6076 and Add.1-2).
7. The Committee also had before it a letter dated 18 August 1963 from the Acting Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics concerning the Territories under Portuguese administration (A/5946).
8. In connexion with the consideration of the question of the Territories under Portuguese administration, the Committee granted the following requests for hearings:

<u>Petitioner</u>	<u>Meeting at which the request was granted</u>
Mr. Albert Nank (A/C.4/65)	1527th
Mr. André Kassinda, National Chairman, Conselho do Povo Angolano (CPA) (A/C.4/650/Add.1)	1564th
Mr. Eduardo Mondlane, President, FRELIMO, and Mr. Marcelino dos Santos (A/C.4/650/Add.2)	1567th

9. At its 1574th meeting, on 2 December, the Committee began the hearing of petitioners, with a statement by Mr. André Kassinda. At the same meeting, Mr. André Kassinda answered questions put to him by members of the Committee. Mr. Albert Nank made a statement at the 1584th meeting, on 10 December. At the same meeting, Mr. Eduardo Mondlane addressed the Committee, on behalf of the Organization of Nationalist Movements Against Portuguese Colonialism (CONCP) and Mr. Mondlane and Mr. Marcelino dos Santos answered questions put to them by members of the Committee.

10. The Committee began its general debate on the items at the 1585th meeting, on 13 December, and continued it at the 1587th meeting, on 14 December.

11. At its 1588th meeting, on 14 December, the Committee received two draft resolutions, one under item 23 (A/C.4/L.823 and Corr.1) and the other under item 71 (A/C.4/L.822 and Add.1). At the same meeting the Committee decided to combine the discussion of these draft resolutions with the general debate.

12. At the 1589th meeting, on 15 December, the representatives of Syria and Sierra Leone introduced the draft resolution concerning the Territories under Portuguese administration, which was finally sponsored by Algeria, Burundi, Cameroon, Ceylon, Cyprus, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, India, Iraq, the Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mongolia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, the Sudan, Syria, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, the United Arab Republic, the United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia and Zambia (A/C.4/L.823 and Corr.1).

13. The draft resolution concerning the special training programme for Territories under Portuguese administration was finally sponsored by Algeria, Burundi, Ceylon, Chad, Congo (Democratic Republic of), Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, India, Iran, Iraq, the Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco,

Nepal, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, the Sudan, Syria, Togo, Tunisia, the United Arab Republic, the United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta and Yugoslavia (A/C.4/L.822 and Add.1).

14. The Committee continued the discussion of the items at the 1589th to 1592nd meetings, from 15 to 18 December.

15. The Committee voted upon the two draft resolutions at its 1592nd meeting, on 18 December.

16. The representative of Portugal proposed that separate votes be taken on the eighth preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 of the draft resolution under item 23 (A/C.4/L.823 and Corr.1). This proposal was objected to by the representative of the Ivory Coast. The Committee thereupon voted on the proposal by Portugal and rejected it by a roll-call vote of 52 to 32, with 12 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Finland, France, Guatemala, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Bulgaria, Burma, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo (Brazzaville), Congo (Democratic Republic of), Cuba, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Dahomey, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Hungary, India, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Kenya, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia.

Abstaining: Argentina, Bolivia, Ceylon, Greece, Iran, Jamaica, Kuwait, Liberia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Venezuela.

17. The draft resolution under item 23 (A/C.4/L.823 and Corr.1) was adopted by the Committee by a roll-call vote of 58 to 21 with 17 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Bulgaria, Burma, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Ceylon, Chad, Congo (Brazzaville), Congo (Democratic Republic of), Cuba, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Dahomey, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Hungary, India, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Ivory Coast, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia.

Against: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Panama, Peru, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

Abstaining: Austria, Bolivia, Chile, China, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Norway, Philippines, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey.

18. The draft resolution under item 71 (A/C.4/L.822 and Add.1) was adopted by the Committee by 90 votes to one, with 3 abstentions.

19. The texts of the draft resolutions are set out below as draft resolutions I and II.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FOURTH COMMITTEE

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

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Question of Territories under Portuguese administration

The General Assembly,

Having examined the chapters of the reports of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to the situation in the Territories under Portuguese administration,^{1/}

Having heard the statements of the petitioners,

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

Recalling also Security Council resolutions 163 (1961) of 9 June 1961, 180 (1963) of 31 July 1963, 183 (1963) of 11 December 1963 and 218 (1965) of 23 November 1965, and General Assembly resolutions 1807 (XVII) of 14 December 1962, 1819 (XVII) of 18 December 1962 and 1913 (XVIII) of 3 December 1963, as well as the relevant resolutions of the Special Committee,^{2/}

Noting with deep concern that, in spite of the measures laid down by the Security Council in the aforementioned resolutions, the Government of Portugal is intensifying the measures of repression and military operations against the African people of these Territories with a view to defeat their legitimate aspirations to self-determination, freedom and independence,

Further noting with deep concern that the activities of the foreign financial interests in these Territories are an impediment to the African people in the realization of their aspirations to freedom and independence,

1/ A/5800/Add.3; A/6000/Add.3 (part I) and Corr.1; A/6000/Add.3 (part II).

2/ A/5800/Add.3, para. 352; A/6000/Add.3 (part I), para. 415.

Considering that the evidence submitted by the petitioners confirmed that the Government of Portugal has continued to use the aid and weapons that it receives from its military allies against the populations of Angola, Mozambique, so-called Portuguese Guinea and other Territories under its administration,

Convinced that the attitude of Portugal towards the African population of its colonies and the neighbouring States, constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

1. Reaffirms the right of the peoples of the African Territories under Portuguese administration to freedom and independence and recognizes the legitimacy of their struggle to achieve the rights laid down in the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

2. Approves the chapters of the reports of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to the situation in the Territories under Portuguese administration and endorses the conclusions and recommendations contained therein;

3. Appeals to all States to render, in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, the people of the Territories under Portuguese administration their moral and material support necessary for the restoration of their inalienable rights;

4. Condemns the colonial policy of Portugal and its persistent refusal to carry out the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council;

5. Condemns the policy of the Government of Portugal which violates the economic and political rights of the indigenous population by the establishment on a large scale of foreign immigrants in the Territories and by the exporting of workers to South Africa;

6. Requests all States to prevent such activities of their nationals in the foreign financial interests which are an impediment to the attainment by the people of their legitimate rights of freedom and independence;

7. Urges Member States to take the following measures, separately or collectively:

- (a) Breaking off diplomatic and consular relations with the Government of Portugal or refraining from establishing such relations;
- (b) Closing their ports to all vessels flying the Portuguese flag or in the service of Portugal;
- (c) Prohibiting their ships from entering any ports in Portugal and its colonial territories;
- (d) Refusing landing and transit facilities to all aircraft belonging to or in the service of the Government of Portugal and companies registered under the laws of Portugal;
- (e) Boycotting all trade with Portugal;

8. Requests all States and, in particular, the military allies of Portugal within the framework of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, to take the following steps:

(a) To refrain forthwith from giving the Portuguese Government any assistance which would enable it to continue its repression of the African people of the Territories under its administration;

(b) To take all the necessary measures to prevent the sale or supply of arms and military equipment to the Government of Portugal;

(c) To stop the sale or shipment to the Government of Portugal of equipment and materials for the manufacture or maintenance of arms and ammunition;

9. Appeals to all the specialized agencies, and in particular to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, to refrain from granting Portugal any financial, economic or technical assistance so long as the Government of Portugal fails to implement resolution 1514 (XV);

10. Requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the specialized agencies concerned and other international relief organizations to increase their assistance to the refugees from the Territories under Portuguese administration and to the people who have suffered from military operations;

11. Requests the Security Council to consider putting into effect against Portugal the appropriate measures laid down in the Charter, for the purpose of carrying out its resolutions concerning the Territories under Portuguese domination;

12. Decides to place the question of the Territories under Portuguese administration on the provisional agenda of its twenty-first session.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Special Training Programme for Territories under Portuguese administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1808 (XVII) of 14 December 1962 and 1973 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963 by which it established a special training programme for the indigenous people of the Territories under Portuguese administration,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General submitted in accordance with paragraph 9 of resolution 1973 (XVIII),^{1/}

Noting with deep regret that, notwithstanding paragraph 10 of resolution 1808 (XVII) and paragraph 8 of resolution 1973 (XVIII), the Government of Portugal has not co-operated in the implementation of the special training programme,

Noting with satisfaction that several Member States have extended offers of scholarships to students from Territories under Portuguese administration,

Noting that only a few applicants from Territories under Portuguese administration have the necessary qualifications to enable them to enter institutions of higher education,

Nothing further that many of the scholarships offered by Member States are for higher education only and consequently are not accessible to most applicants from Territories under Portuguese administration whose qualifications cannot meet the requirements set for the use of such scholarships,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures with a view to making the benefits of this programme available to as many indigenous inhabitants of the Territories under Portuguese administration as possible;

2. Invites the United Nations programmes of technical assistance and the specialized agencies to continue to co-operate in the implementation of the special training programme mentioned above, by offering every possible assistance and such facilities and resources as they may be able to provide to the recipients and the Governments participating in the programme;

^{1/} A/5783 and Add.1; A/6076 and Add.1 and 2.

3. Expresses its appreciation to Member States which have extended offers of scholarships to students from Territories under Portuguese administration;
4. Invites the Member States which have offered scholarships, and those which plan to do so, to consider offering in the first place scholarships for secondary education and for vocational and technical training;
5. Requests Member States to inform the Secretary-General of any scholarships offered and of awards made and utilized;
6. Further requests Member States to facilitate the travel of students from Territories under Portuguese administration seeking to avail themselves of the educational opportunities offered;
7. Reiterates its request to the Government of Portugal to co-operate in the implementation of the special training programme for inhabitants of Territories under its administration;
8. Requests the Secretary-General to report on this question to the General Assembly at its twenty-first session.
