

World Health Organization and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the specialized agencies concerned, to prepare, for submission to the General Assembly at its fourteenth session, a report on the progress that has taken place in the Non-Self-Governing Territories, in those fields on which information has been transmitted, in accordance with the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter, since the establishment of the United Nations;

3. *Invites* the specialized agencies concerned to collaborate with the Secretary-General in the preparation of the report;

4. *Considers* that the report should be based on the information transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter and on the supplemental information supplied to the secretariats of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies by the Administering Members concerned;

5. *Invites* the Administering Members to include in the information regularly transmitted by them under Article 73 e of the Charter such information as may be practicable for the preparation of the report, including a survey of the principles and practical measures showing general trends in the Territories concerned as indicated in section C of the explanatory preface of the Standard Form for the guidance of Members in the preparation of information to be transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter;

6. *Invites* the Secretary-General to keep the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories regularly informed of the progress of the report provided for in the present resolution.

*657th plenary meeting,
20 February 1957.*

1054 (XI). Report of the Committee on South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having considered the third report and observation submitted to it, in accordance with its resolutions 749 A (VIII) of 28 November 1953 and 941 (X) of 3 December 1955, by the Committee on South West Africa concerning conditions in the Territory of South West Africa,¹⁴

1. *Expresses its appreciation* of the work of the Committee on South West Africa;

2. *Approves* the report of the Committee concerning conditions in the Territory of South West Africa;

3. *Notes with concern* that, for the third year in succession, the Committee has been unable to escape the conclusion that conditions in the Territory are for the most part, and particularly for the "Native" majority, still far from meeting in a reasonable way the standards implicit in the purposes of the Mandates System;

4. *Approves and endorses* accordingly, and without prejudice to the solution of the broader issues raised by the Committee concerning the situation in the Territory, all the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee as to the action which should be taken by

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, *Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/3151 and Corr.1)*, annex II.

the Government of the Union of South Africa as the Mandatory Power, and in particular draws the attention of the Government of the Union of South Africa to those recommendations in respect of:

(a) The progressive transfer of responsibility to representative, executive and legislative institutions proper to the Territory;

(b) The revision of existing policies and practices of "Native" administration in accordance with the spirit of the Mandates System;

(c) The extension to all the inhabitants of representation in the existing territorial legislature;

(d) The basing of public employment on qualifications other than race and the progressive training of non-Europeans for higher posts in the Administration;

(e) The review and revision of the land settlement policy;

(f) The discontinuance of residential restrictions based on a policy of racial separation, or *apartheid*, and the repeal of laws of the Territory having racially discriminatory restrictions;

(g) The immediate elimination from the law and practice of the Territory of the existing discriminatory restrictions upon freedom of movement;

(h) The elimination of racial discrimination from the educational system and the establishment of a programme for the progressive unification of the system;

5. *Invites* the Government of the Union of South Africa to submit to the United Nations information concerning its consideration of these conclusions and recommendations and the action taken by it in each case in order to ensure the fulfilment of its obligations and responsibilities under the Mandate.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1055 (XI). Status of the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having recommended, by its resolution 65 (I) of 14 December 1946, 141 (II) of 1 November 1947, 227 (III) of 26 November 1948, 337 (IV) of 6 December 1949, 449 B (V) of 13 December 1950, 570 B (VI) of 19 January 1952, 749 B (VIII) of 28 November 1953, 852 (IX) of 23 November 1954 and 940 (X) of 3 December 1955, that the Mandated Territory of South West Africa be placed under the International Trusteeship System, and having repeatedly invited the Government of the Union of South Africa to propose, for the consideration of the General Assembly, a trusteeship agreement for South West Africa,

Having accepted, by its resolution 449 A (V) of 13 December 1950, the advisory opinion¹⁵ of 11 July 1950 of the International Court of Justice on the question of South West Africa,

Considering that, in accordance with Chapter XII of the Charter of the United Nations, all Mandated Territories which have not achieved independence have been brought under the International Trusteeship System with the sole exception of the Territory of South West Africa,

¹⁵ *International status of South-West Africa, Advisory Opinion: I.C.J. Reports 1950, p. 128.*

1. *Reiterates* its resolutions 65 (I) of 14 December 1946, 141 (II) of 1 November 1947, 227 (III) of 26 November 1948, 337 (IV) of 6 December 1949, 449 B (V) of 13 December 1950, 570 B (VI) of 19 January 1952, 749 B (VIII) of 28 November 1953, 852 (IX) of 23 November 1954 and 940 (X) of 3 December 1955, to the effect that the Territory of South West Africa be placed under the International Trusteeship System;

2. *Reasserts* that the normal way of modifying the international status of the Territory would be to place it under the International Trusteeship System by means of a trusteeship agreement in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XII of the Charter of the United Nations.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1056 (XI). Hearings of petitioners on conditions in the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having granted hearings to Mr. Mburumba Kerina Getzen, a petitioner from South West Africa, and the Reverend Michael Scott, a petitioner on behalf of African inhabitants of South West Africa,

1. *Takes note* of the statements of the petitioners on behalf of African inhabitants of the Territory of South West Africa under the administration of the Union of South Africa;

2. *Decides* to transmit to the Committee on South West Africa the statements of the petitioners for study and consideration.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1057 (XI). Petition and communications from Mr. Jacobus Beukes concerning the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having accepted the advisory opinion¹⁵ of 11 July 1950 of the International Court of Justice on the question of South West Africa,

Having authorized the Committee on South West Africa, by resolution 749 A (VIII) of 28 November 1953, to examine petitioners in accordance with the Mandates procedure of the League of Nations,

Having received a report from the Committee on South West Africa dealing with a petition and related communications dated 4 July, 1 August and 5 November 1955 from Mr. Jacobus Beukes, Burger Secretary of the Rehoboth Community of South West Africa,¹⁶

Noting that the petitioner raises questions on which the General Assembly has already taken action in resolution 935 (X) of 3 December 1955,

Noting that the petitioner raises a further question concerning the right of petition to the United Nations by the original citizens of the Rehoboth Community and by the "immigrant citizens" of that Community, and demands that the "citizenship" rights granted by the Rehoboth Community to certain immigrant inhabit-

ants be cancelled on the ground that they had improperly submitted to the United Nations a petition expressing views contrary to those held by the original inhabitants of the Rehoboth Community,

1. *Decides* to call the attention of the petitioner to its resolution 935 (X) of 3 December 1955;

2. *Further decides* to inform the petitioner that all inhabitants of the Mandated Territory, including the so-called immigrant members of the Rehoboth Community, have the right to submit petitions to the United Nations.

*661st plenary meeting,
26 February 1957.*

1058 (XI). Petition from Ukuanyama Tribal Congress concerning the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Having accepted the advisory opinion¹⁵ of 11 July 1950 of the International Court of Justice on the question of South West Africa,

Having authorized the Committee on South West Africa, by resolution 749 A (VIII) of 28 November 1953, to examine petitions in accordance with the Mandates procedure of the League of Nations,

Having received a report from the Committee on South West Africa dealing with a petition dated 14 January 1956 from the Ukuanyama Tribal Congress, Ovamboland,¹⁷

Noting that the petitioners allege that, while the Reverend T. H. Hamtumbangela was petitioning on their behalf to the United Nations, the Minister of Native Affairs of the Union of South Africa ordered his removal from Ovamboland, and that headmen and sub-headmen who supported the Reverend Hamtumbangela were to be deposed,

Noting that the petitioners request that the case of the Reverend Hamtumbangela be brought before the International Court of Justice for its compulsory jurisdiction,

Noting further that the petitioners raise questions on which the General Assembly, in resolution 937 (X) of 3 December 1955 concerning a petition and a related communication from the Reverend Hamtumbangela, has already taken action,

1. *Decides* to inform the petitioners that it has at present insufficient information upon which to take any action with respect to their complaints concerning the alleged order for the removal of the Reverend T. H. Hamtumbangela from Ovamboland and the deposing of headmen and sub-headmen who supported him;

2. *Decides* to transmit to the petitioners resolution 937 (X) of 3 December 1955, and the reports of the Committee on South West Africa¹⁸ submitted to the General Assembly at its tenth and eleventh sessions containing the observations and recommendations of the Committee regarding other questions raised by the petitioners;

3. *Decides* to draw the attention of the petitioners, in particular, to the observations and recommendations

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, chapter V, section B, and annex IX.

¹⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/3151 and Corr.1), chapter V, section B, and annex VI.*

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, Tenth Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/2913), and *ibid.*, Eleventh Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/3151 and Corr.1).