

report on the early establishment of United Nations information centres in or near the Trust Territories,

Noting from the report¹⁴ submitted by the Secretary-General to the Trusteeship Council pursuant to General Assembly resolution 1276 (XIII) that information centres may be established only after the State concerned has requested or agreed to the establishment of these centres and after the Assembly has provided the necessary funds, and that thus far no requests have been received by the Secretary-General from the Administering Authorities for the establishment of information centres in any of the Trust Territories,

Having perused the report¹⁵ submitted by the Secretary-General to the Trusteeship Council at its twenty-fourth session under Council resolution 36 (III) of 8 July 1948 and observing therefrom that the dissemination of information on the United Nations among the peoples of the Trust Territories is still far from satisfactory,

Keeping in view the special status of Trust Territories and their inhabitants and also the General Assembly's own special responsibilities under Chapters XII and XIII of the Charter of the United Nations,

Reiterating that it is essential, in the General Assembly's view, that the peoples of Trust Territories should receive adequate information concerning the purposes and operation of the United Nations and of the International Trusteeship System,

Noting the recommendation of the Committee of Experts on United Nations Public Information that United Nations information centres constitute the most important means of disseminating information about the United Nations,¹⁶

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to initiate discussions with the Administering Authorities concerned with a view to establishing, during 1960, in at least some of the larger Trust Territories, such as Tanganyika, Ruanda-Urundi and New Guinea, United Nations information centres in which the responsible positions would be occupied preferably by indigenous inhabitants of the Trust Territories concerned;

2. *Also requests* the Administering Authorities to extend their co-operation and assistance to the Secretary-General in implementing the recommendations made in paragraph 1 above;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, for the fifteenth session of the General Assembly, a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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1411 (XIV). Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind that most of the Trust Territories do not have sufficient facilities for higher education which would ensure the education of highly qualified indigenous cadres,

¹⁴ *Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 13, document T/1467.*

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, document T/1463.

¹⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 55, document A/3928, para. 227 (e).*

Considering the urgent need in the Trust Territories for indigenous personnel who could take over the functions held by those non-indigenous persons who up to now have occupied the most important positions in the administration of these Territories,

Expressing regret that the greater part of the scholarships offered by Member States remain unutilized,

Expressing regret also that some Administering Authorities do not provide all students who have been accorded scholarships with facilities to leave the Trust Territories in order to take advantage of such scholarships, as attested by the periodic report of the Secretary-General on the progress of the scholarship programme,¹⁷

Recalling its resolution 557 (VI) of 18 January 1952, inviting the Member States to make scholarships available to qualified students from the Trust Territories,

1. *Takes note* of part I, chapter VII, section D, of the report of the Trusteeship Council,¹⁸ as well as of the periodic report of the Secretary-General on the progress of the scholarship programme;

2. *Reaffirms* its resolution 1277 (XIII) of 5 December 1958 and once again invites the Administering Authorities to take all necessary measures consistent with the interests and needs of the Trust Territories and their peoples to ensure that scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States may be utilized by inhabitants of these Territories, and to render every assistance to those persons who have applied for or have been granted scholarships or fellowships, particularly with regard to facilitating their travel formalities;

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

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give such assistance as is possible and as may be sought by the Member States concerned and by the applicants;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, for the fifteenth session of the General Assembly, a report concerning the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States to students from the Trust Territories;

6. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council to resume, at its sessions to be held in 1960, the consideration of this question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fifteenth session;

7. *Decides* to place this question as a separate item on the provisional agenda of its fifteenth session.

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1412 (XIV). Preparation and training of indigenous civil cadres in the Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Noting from chapters on individual Trust Territories in part II of the report of the Trusteeship Council¹⁸ that there are serious shortages of qualified civilian and technical personnel in all these Territories,

Considering that appropriately trained indigenous civil and technical cadres are essential to the functioning

¹⁷ *Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 14, document T/1462.*