

Having received and considered a report on economic advancement in Non-Self-Governing Territories prepared by that Committee at its fourteenth session, in 1963,¹⁹

1. Approves the report on economic advancement in Non-Self-Governing Territories prepared by the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories at its fourteenth 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 the Member States responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories, to the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, 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 Member States responsible for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories will bring the report to the attention of the authorities concerned with economic advancement in those Territories.

1281st plenary meeting,
16 December 1963.

1972 (XVIII). The situation in Aden

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1949 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963 on the question of Aden,

Having noted the petitioner's statement on the recent developments in that Territory,²⁰

Deeply concerned at the critical and explosive situation obtaining in Aden and the Aden Protectorate as a result of the state of emergency, and at the arrest and detention of nationalist leaders and trade-unionists as well as the deportation of others, a situation which constitutes a denial of fundamental rights and endangers peace and security in the region,

1. Urges the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to take, as a matter of urgency, measures which would be most effective to secure:

(a) The immediate release of the nationalist leaders and trade-unionists;

(b) An end to all acts of deportation of residents of the Territory;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of the Government of the United Kingdom with a view to its implementation.

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1973 (XVIII). Special training programme for Territories under Portuguese administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1808 (XVII) of 14 December 1962 by which it established a special training pro-

gramme for the indigenous people of Territories under Portuguese administration,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General submitted in accordance with paragraph 9 of the aforesaid resolution,²¹

Noting with regret that, notwithstanding paragraph 10 of that resolution, the Government of Portugal has not co-operated in the implementation of the resolution,

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,

Noting further that most of the scholarships offered by Member States are for higher education only and consequently are not accessible to inhabitants of Territories under Portuguese administration whose qualifications cannot meet the requirements set for the use of such scholarships,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to use as fully as possible the existing United Nations programmes of technical co-operation and, particularly, to make available to those indigenous inhabitants of the Territories under Portuguese administration who are or who may be temporarily residing in various countries or territories outside the Territories administered by Portugal the benefits of such programmes, with the consent and co-operation of the host Governments;

2. Draws the attention of Member States within whose boundaries great numbers of refugees from Territories under Portuguese administration reside to the possibilities available to them of obtaining assistance from the United Nations programmes of technical co-operation, for the purpose of providing these refugees with more facilities for secondary, vocational and technical education;

3. Invites the specialized agencies to co-operate in the establishment and 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;

4. Expresses its appreciation to Member States which have extended offers of scholarships to students from Territories under Portuguese administration;

5. Invites Member States which have offered scholarships, and those which plan to do so, to consider in the first place offers of scholarships for secondary education and for vocational and technical training;

6. Requests Member States to inform the Secretary-General of any scholarships offered and of awards made and utilized;

7. Further requests Member States to facilitate the travel of students from Territories under Portuguese administration seeking to avail themselves of the educational opportunities offered;

8. Reiterates its request to the Government of Portugal to co-operate in the implementation of the special training programme for inhabitants of Territories under Portuguese administration;

¹⁹ Ibid., Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/5514), part two.

²⁰ Ibid., Eighteenth Session, Fourth Committee, 1515th meeting.

²¹ Ibid., Eighteenth Session, Annexes, agenda items 49, 50, 51, 52, 53 and 54, documents A/5531/Rev.1 and Add.1 and 2.