

qualifications in the functional fields studied by the Committee,

Considering that this is a practice which might be extended with advantage to the work of the Committee, in that the pooling and exchange of knowledge and experience thus achieved will enable it more efficaciously to assess the economic, social and educational problems of Non-Self-Governing Territories in the light of the solutions being found to those problems elsewhere in the world,

1. *Commends* the action of those Members which have included specialist advisers in their delegations to the Committee;

2. *Expresses the hope* that those Members which have not hitherto found it possible to do so, will find it appropriate to associate with their delegations persons specially qualified in the functional fields within the Committee's purview.

*459th plenary meeting,
27 November 1953.*

746 (VIII). Employment of international staff from Non-Self-Governing and Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Considering that the paragraph 3 of Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations, regarding the employment of the staff of the United Nations, states that, in addition to the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity in employment of Secretariat staff, due regard should be paid to the importance of recruiting the staff on as wide a geographical basis as possible,

Having regard to the objectives set forth in Chapters XI and XII of the Charter in respect of the advancement of the inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing and Trust Territories,

Considering that the services of individuals from Non-Self-Governing and Trust Territories in the Secretariat of the United Nations will contribute to a wider geographical coverage in the recruitment of staff,

Considering the statement⁴ made by the Secretary-General that he has already taken note of the wishes expressed in the Fourth Committee on this matter,

1. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General consider the desirability of continuing and increasing the recruitment of suitably qualified inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing and Trust Territories for the Secretariat of the United Nations;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General to draw the attention of the specialized agencies to the present resolution with a view to a similar policy being followed as far as possible in the secretariats of those agencies.

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747 (VIII). Cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam

The General Assembly,

Recalling that in its resolution 650 (VII) of 20 December 1952 it invited the Committee set up to study

⁴ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighth Session, Fourth Committee, 342nd meeting.*

the factors which should be taken into account in deciding whether a Territory is or is not a Territory whose people have not yet attained a full measure of self-government to examine carefully the documents submitted by the Netherlands Government relating to the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam in the light of resolution 648 (VII) of 10 December 1952,

Having received and considered the report⁵ of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Factors (Non-Self-Governing Territories) established by resolution 648 (VII),

Having taken note of the statement⁶ of the representative of the Netherlands that the negotiations between representatives of the Netherlands, the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam, which were adjourned in the year 1952, will shortly be resumed,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the progress made by the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam towards self-government;

2. *Considers* that the new status of the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam can only be rightly appraised after the said negotiations have led to a final result and this has been embodied in constitutional provisions;

3. *Expresses* to the Netherlands Government its confidence that, as a result of the negotiations, a new status will be attained by the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam representing a full measure of self-government in fulfilment of the objectives set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter;

4. *Invites* the Government of the Netherlands to communicate to the Secretary-General the result of these negotiations as well as the provisions mentioned in paragraph 2 above;

5. *Invites* the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories to examine these communications in connexion with the information already transmitted and to report thereon to the General Assembly;

6. *Requests* the Government of the Netherlands to transmit regularly to the Secretary-General the information specified in Article 73 e of the Charter in regard to the Netherlands Antilles and Surinam until such time as the General Assembly takes a decision that the transmission of information in regard to these Territories should be discontinued.

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27 November 1953.*

748 (VIII). Cessation of the transmission of information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of Puerto Rico

The General Assembly,

Considering that, in resolution 222 (III) of 3 November 1948, the General Assembly, while welcoming any development of self-government in Non-Self-Governing Territories, considers it essential that the United Nations be informed of any change in the constitutional status of any such Territory as a result of which the government responsible for the transmission, under Article 73 e of the Charter, of information in respect of that Territory thinks it unnecessary or inappropriate to continue such a practice,

Having received the communications⁷ dated 19 January and 20 March 1953 informing the United Nations

⁵ See document A/2428.

⁶ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighth Session, Fourth Committee, 343rd meeting, para. 70.*

⁷ See document A/AC.35/L.121.