

8. *Requests* the organizations of the United Nations system to assist in accelerating progress in all sectors of the national life of those Territories;

9. *Calls upon* the administering Power concerned, in view of its responsibility towards the welfare of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the region, to discontinue any further nuclear atmospheric testing in the South Pacific area, in order not to endanger the life and environment of the peoples of the Territories concerned;

10. *Invites* the Secretary-General, having regard to the mandate entrusted to him in General Assembly resolution 2909 (XXVII) of 2 November 1972, to pay particular regard to the need to intensify widespread dissemination of information on the process of decolonization in respect of the Territories listed above;

11. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to give full consideration to this question, including in particular the dispatch of visiting missions to those Territories, and to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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### 2985 (XXVII). Question of the Seychelles

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of the Seychelles,

*Having considered* the relevant chapters of the report 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,<sup>33</sup>

*Recalling* its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

*Recalling also* its resolution 2866 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971 concerning the question,

*Reaffirming* that the Seychelles should accede to independence without any prejudice to their territorial integrity,

*Expressing its deep regret* that it has not been possible to send a special mission of the United Nations to the Territory, as envisaged under resolution 2866 (XXVI),

1. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of the Seychelles to self-determination and independence in conformity with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV), and calls upon the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as the administering Power, to take all necessary measures to enable the people to exercise that right without further delay;

2. *Requests* the administering Power, in accordance with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, to receive the special mission of the United Nations envisaged under resolution 2866 (XXVI) and to make the necessary arrangements, in consultation with the special mission, for the holding of a referendum on the future status of the Territory;

<sup>33</sup> *Ibid.*, chaps. IV, VI and XI.

3. *Requests* 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 continue its examination of the question, including in particular the dispatch of the special mission referred to above, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session.

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### 2986 (XXVII). Question of Niue and the Tokelau Islands

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of Niue and the Tokelau Islands,

*Noting* that, at the invitation of the Government of New Zealand, the administering Power, a United Nations mission visited Niue in June 1972,

*Having examined* the relevant chapters of the report 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,<sup>34</sup> including in particular the report of the United Nations Visiting Mission to Niue, 1972,<sup>35</sup>

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

*Recalling* its resolution 2868 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971,

*Having heard* the statements of the representative of the administering Power,<sup>36</sup>

*Noting with satisfaction* that, following the visit of the United Nations Visiting Mission to Niue, the Select Committee on Constitutional Development, established by the Niue Island Legislative Assembly, concluded popular consultations on measures for the further constitutional advancement of the Territory of Niue, including the establishment of a time-table for the attainment of self-government,

*Stressing* the special responsibility of the Government of New Zealand, as the administering Power, to continue to assist the peoples of Niue and the Tokelau Islands freely to decide their own future,

*Mindful* that Niue and the Tokelau Islands require the continued attention and assistance of the United Nations in the achievement by their peoples of the objectives embodied in the Charter of the United Nations and in the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

1. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of colonial peoples to self-determination and independence in conformity with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);

2. *Approves* the relevant chapters of the report 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;

3. *Commends* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the United Nations Visiting Mission to Niue, 1972, to the Government of

<sup>34</sup> *Ibid.*, chaps. IV and XVI.

<sup>35</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. XVI, annex I.

<sup>36</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-seventh Session, Fourth Committee, 2005th meeting; A/C.4/757.

New Zealand, as the administering Power, and to the Niue Island Legislative Assembly for consideration;

4. *Expresses its appreciation* of the co-operation extended to the United Nations by the Government of New Zealand in connexion with its special study of the question of Niue and the Tokelau Islands;

5. *Takes note* of the decision of the Niue Island Legislative Assembly concerning the future status of the Territory;

6. *Expresses the hope* that the forthcoming constitutional talks between the administering Power and the representatives of the people of Niue will result in an early realization of the aspirations of the Niuean people regarding their future status in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

7. *Requests* the administering Power to continue its assistance to the Territories in order to promote their economic, social and educational development and, in that connexion, to avail itself of assistance from the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, as well as from competent regional and intergovernmental organizations;

8. *Requests* the administering Power to take the necessary measures to intensify programmes of political education as well as to preserve the cultural heritage of the people of these Territories;

9. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to examine this question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session.

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#### **2987 (XXVII). Question of Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia and St. Vincent**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia and St. Vincent,

*Recalling* its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

*Recalling further* its previous resolutions relating to the question, in particular resolutions 2593 (XXIV) of 16 December 1969 and 2867 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971,

*Having examined* the relevant chapter of the report 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,<sup>37</sup>

*Reaffirming* the inalienable right of the peoples of Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia and St. Vincent to achieve independence in conformity with the provisions of resolution 1514 (XV),

1. *Takes note* of the chapter of the report 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 Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia and St. Vincent;

2. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to give consideration to this question in accordance with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, and to report thereon to the Assembly at its twenty-eighth session.

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#### **3030 (XXVII). United Nations Fund for Namibia**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966, by which the United Nations decided to terminate the Mandate of South Africa over Namibia and assume direct responsibility for the Territory until its independence,

*Reaffirming* its resolve to discharge that responsibility in regard to the Territory,

*Mindful* that, by assuming direct responsibility for Namibia, the United Nations incurred a solemn obligation to assist and prepare the people of the Territory for self-determination and independence,

*Recalling further* its resolutions 2679 (XXV) of 9 December 1970 and 2872 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971 concerning the establishment of the United Nations Fund for Namibia for the purpose of putting into effect a comprehensive programme of assistance to Namibians, as outlined in the report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session,<sup>38</sup>

*Recognizing* that South Africa's continued illegal occupation of Namibia at present prevents the United Nations from furnishing needed, large-scale assistance within the Territory,

*Having examined* the report of the Secretary-General on the operation of the Fund during 1972,<sup>39</sup>

*Bearing in mind* that the scope of the programme, as well as its financing and administrative machinery, will be subject to review by the General Assembly when South Africa's illegal occupation of Namibia is terminated,

*Noting* that the Secretary-General, owing to lack of funds, has not been able to carry out the programme in all its parts as envisaged in his report submitted to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session in accordance with its resolution 2679 (XXV),

*Noting further* that the Secretary-General has, for the above-mentioned reasons, found it necessary, *inter alia*, to defer implementation of the preparation and investigation of the long-term measures described in paragraph 108 of his report to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session,

*Recognizing* the importance of undertaking a detailed investigation of the human and natural resources of Namibia, with a view to preparing proposals for a co-ordinated plan of international economic and technical assistance, including manpower training, to be

<sup>37</sup> *Ibid.*, *Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/8723/Rev.1)*, chap. XXIV.

<sup>38</sup> A/8473.

<sup>39</sup> A/8841 and Corr.1.