

9. *Requests* the administering Power to continue to enlist the assistance of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system in accelerating progress in all sectors of the national life of those Territories;

10. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to seek the best ways and means for the implementation of the Declaration with respect to Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Montserrat and Turks and Caicos Islands, including the possible dispatch of visiting missions in consultation with the administering Power, and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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### 32/30. Question of the Cayman Islands

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of the Cayman Islands,

*Recalling* its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and all other resolutions and decisions of the United Nations relating to the Territory,

*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>27</sup> including in particular the report of the United Nations Visiting Mission dispatched to the Territory in April 1977 at the invitation of the administering Power, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,<sup>28</sup>

*Having heard* the statement of the administering Power,<sup>29</sup>

1. *Approves* 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 the Cayman Islands;<sup>30</sup>

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of the Cayman Islands to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

3. *Reaffirms* its conviction that questions of territorial size, geographical location and limited resources should in no way delay the implementation of the Declaration with respect to the Territory;

4. *Invites* the attention of the administering Power to the observations, conclusions and recommendations of the United Nations Visiting Mission dispatched to the Territory in April 1977<sup>31</sup> and expresses its appreciation to the members of the Visiting Mission for the constructive work accomplished and to the administering Power and the Government of the Cayman Is-

lands for the close co-operation and assistance extended to the Mission;

5. *Requests* the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as the administering Power, to continue to take all necessary measures, in consultation with the Government of the Cayman Islands, to expedite the process of decolonization in the Territory in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration;

6. *Endorses* the view of the Visiting Mission that urgent attention should be given to the diversification of the economy of the Cayman Islands, as an important element in the process of self-determination;

7. *Requests* the administering Power, in the light of the conclusions and recommendations of the Visiting Mission, to continue to enlist the assistance of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system in the development and strengthening of the economy of the Territory, and requests those agencies and organizations to respond appropriately to the development needs of the Cayman Islands;

8. *Further requests* the administering Power, in consultation with the Government of the Cayman Islands, to pay particular attention to the training of qualified local personnel with a view to their increased participation in the over-all development of the Territory;

9. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue the full examination of this question at its next session in the light of the findings of the Visiting Mission, including the possible dispatch of a further mission to the Cayman Islands at an appropriate time and in consultation with the administering Power, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.

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### 32/31. Question of the United States Virgin Islands

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of the United States Virgin Islands,

*Recalling* its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and all other resolutions and decisions of the United Nations relating to the Territory,

*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>32</sup> including in particular the report of the United Nations Visiting Mission dispatched to the Territory in April 1977 at the invitation of the administering Power, the Government of the United States of America,<sup>33</sup>

*Having heard* the statement of the administering Power,<sup>34</sup>

<sup>27</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. I, chaps. III and IV, and vol. IV, chap. XXVI.

<sup>28</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. IV, chap. XXVI, annex.

<sup>29</sup> *Ibid.*, Thirty-second Session, Fourth Committee, 12th meeting, paras. 12-21.

<sup>30</sup> *Ibid.*, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/32/23/Rev.1), vol. IV, chap. XXVI.

<sup>31</sup> *Ibid.*, annex, paras. 486-511.

<sup>32</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. I, chaps. III and V, and vol. IV, chap. XXVII.

<sup>33</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. IV, chap. XXVII, annex.

<sup>34</sup> *Ibid.*, Thirty-second Session, Fourth Committee, 17th meeting, paras. 47-50.