

3. *Recommends* the Security Council to consider this situation as a matter of urgency.

*1375th plenary meeting,
11 November 1965.*

2063 (XX). Question of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland

The General Assembly,

Having examined the chapters of the reports 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 Territories of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland,⁸

Having examined further the report submitted by the Secretary-General⁹ pursuant to the request made by the Special Committee in its resolution of 2 November 1964,¹⁰

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

Recalling further its resolutions 1654 (XVI) of 27 November 1961, 1817 (XVII) of 18 December 1962 and 1954 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963,

Noting the resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its first regular session in July 1964, and the Declaration adopted by the Second Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries in October 1964¹¹ to the effect that the United Nations should guarantee the territorial integrity of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland and should take measures for their speedy accession to independence and for the subsequent safeguarding of their sovereignty,

Noting with deep concern the economic and social situation prevailing in the three Territories and their imperative and urgent need for United Nations assistance,

Having regard to the grave threat to the territorial integrity and economic stability of these Territories constituted by the policies of the present régime in the Republic of South Africa,

Regretting that the administering Power of these Territories has not taken effective and complete steps to implement General Assembly resolutions 1514 (XV), 1817 (XVII) and 1954 (XVIII),

1. *Approves* the chapters of the reports 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 Territories of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland, and endorses the conclusions and recommendations contained therein;

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the peoples of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland to freedom and independence;

⁸ *Ibid.*, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (part I) (A/5800/Rev.1), chapter VIII; *ibid.*, Twentieth Session, Annexes, addendum to agenda item 23 (A/6000/Rev.1), chapter VII.

⁹ *Ibid.*, Twentieth Session, Annexes, agenda item 23, document A/5958.

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (part I) (A/5800/Rev.1), chapter VIII, para. 365.

¹¹ See A/5763.

3. *Once again invites* the administering Power to take urgent steps to implement fully General Assembly resolutions 1514 (XV), 1817 (XVII) and 1954 (XVIII) in conformity with the freely expressed wishes of the peoples of the three Territories;

4. *Renews* its request that the administering Power should take immediate steps to return to the indigenous inhabitants all the land taken from them, whatever the form of or pretext for such alienation;

5. *Requests* the Special Committee to consider, in co-operation with the Secretary-General, what measures are necessary for securing the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland, and to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-first session;

6. *Expresses its satisfaction* to the Secretary-General for his efforts and endorses the recommendations contained in his report;

7. *Decides* to establish a Fund for the Economic Development of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland, to be made up of voluntary contributions and to be administered by the Secretary-General in close consultation with the Governments of the three Territories and with the co-operation and assistance of the Special Fund, the Technical Assistance Board, the Economic Commission for Africa and the specialized agencies concerned;

8. *Considers* that the efforts to provide economic, financial and technical assistance, through United Nations programmes of technical co-operation and the specialized agencies, should continue in order to remedy the deplorable economic and social situation of the three Territories;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to appoint resident representatives in the three Territories, as recommended in paragraph 22 of his report, and to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-first session on the operation of the Fund established under paragraph 7 above.

*1398th plenary meeting,
16 December 1965.*

2064 (XX). Question of the Cook Islands

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

Recalling its resolution 2005 (XIX) of 18 February 1965, authorizing the Secretary-General to appoint a United Nations representative to supervise the elections to be held in the Cook Islands under New Zealand administration and to observe the proceedings concerning the Constitution in the newly elected Legislative Assembly,

Having examined the chapters of the reports 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 Cook Islands,¹² including the statements made in the Special Committee by the Premier of the Cook Islands,

Having considered the report of the United Nations Representative for the Supervision of the Elections in

¹² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (part I) (A/5800/Rev.1), chapter XV; ibid., Twentieth Session, Annexes, addendum to agenda item 23 (A/6000/Rev.1), chapter VIII.*

the Cook Islands¹³ and the information on subsequent developments,¹⁴

Having heard the statements made by the United Nations Representative for the Supervision of the Elections in the Cook Islands and the representative of New Zealand,

Noting that, under the Constitution which came into force on 4 August 1965, the people of the Cook Islands have reserved their right to move to a status of complete independence,

1. *Approves* the chapters of the reports 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 Cook Islands;

2. *Notes* the findings and conclusions of the United Nations Representative for the Supervision of the Elections in the Cook Islands and expresses its high appreciation to the Representative and his staff;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* of the co-operation extended to the United Nations by the Government of New Zealand in the study of the question of the Cook Islands;

4. *Notes* that the Constitution of the Cook Islands came into force on 4 August 1965, from which date the people of the Cook Islands have had control of their internal affairs and of their future;

5. *Considers* that since the Cook Islands have attained full internal self-government, the transmission of information in respect of the Cook Islands under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations is no longer necessary;

6. *Reaffirms* the responsibility of the United Nations, under General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV), to assist the people of the Cook Islands in the eventual achievement of full independence, if they so wish, at a future date;

7. *Expresses the hope* that the United Nations Development Programme and the specialized agencies will endeavour to contribute in every way possible to the development and strengthening of the economy of the Cook Islands.

*1398th plenary meeting,
16 December 1965.*

2065 (XX). Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)

The General Assembly,

Having examined the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

Taking into account the chapters of the reports 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 Falkland Islands (Malvinas),¹⁵ and in particular the conclusions and recommendations adopted by the Committee with reference to that Territory,

Considering that its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 was prompted by the cherished aim of bringing to an end everywhere colonialism in all its

forms, one of which covers the case of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

Noting the existence of a dispute between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the said Islands,

1. *Invites* the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to proceed without delay with the negotiations recommended by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples with a view to finding a peaceful solution to the problem, bearing in mind the provisions and objectives of the Charter of the United Nations and of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and the interests of the population of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas);

2. *Requests* the two Governments to report to the Special Committee and to the General Assembly at its twenty-first session on the results of the negotiations.

*1398th plenary meeting,
16 December 1965.*

2066 (XX). Question of Mauritius

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Mauritius and other islands composing the Territory of Mauritius,

Having examined the chapters of the reports 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 Territory of Mauritius,¹⁶

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

Regretting that the administering Power has not fully implemented resolution 1514 (XV) with regard to that Territory,

Noting with deep concern that any step taken by the administering Power to detach certain islands from the Territory of Mauritius for the purpose of establishing a military base would be in contravention of the Declaration, and in particular of paragraph 6 thereof,

1. *Approves* the chapters of the reports 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 Territory of Mauritius, and endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Special Committee contained therein;

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of the Territory of Mauritius to freedom and independence in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);

3. *Invites* the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to take effective measures with a view to the immediate and full implementation of resolution 1514 (XV);

4. *Invites* the administering Power to take no action which would dismember the Territory of Mauritius and violate its territorial integrity;

¹³ *Ibid.*, Twentieth Session, Annexes, agenda items 23 and 24, document A/5962.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, document A/5961.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (part I) (A/5800/Rev.1), chapter XXIII; *ibid.*, Twentieth Session, Annexes, addendum to agenda item 23 (A/6000/Rev.1), chapter XXII.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 8 (part I) (A/5800/Rev.1), chapter XIV; *ibid.*, Twentieth Session, Annexes, addendum to agenda item 23 (A/6000/Rev.1), chapter XIII.