

as possible and, at the latest, within a maximum period of six months following the expiration of the administrative year in the Non-Self-Governing Territories concerned;

7. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to discharge the functions entrusted to it under General Assembly resolution 1970 (XVIII), in accordance with established procedures.

*1928th plenary meeting,
14 December 1970.*

2702 (XXV). Question of Oman

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Oman,

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 relevant resolutions,

Bearing in mind the relevant provisions of its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970 containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

Concerned about the situation in the Territory of Oman,

Deploring the refusal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to implement the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly concerning the Territory,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolutions 2238 (XXI) of 20 December 1966, 2302 (XXII) of 12 December 1967, 2424 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 and 2559 (XXIV) of 12 December 1969;

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of Oman to self-determination and to the natural resources of their Territory, as well as their right to dispose of those resources in their best interests;

3. *Urges* the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to implement fully General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and other relevant resolutions;

4. *Recommends* that the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned should study, within the scope of their activities and in co-operation with the regional organization concerned and through it, the possibilities of extending assistance to meet the educational, technical and health requirements of the people of the Territory;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to intensify, in consultation with the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, the wide dissemination of information about conditions in the Territory;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee to follow closely developments regarding the colonial situation in the Territory and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.

*1928th plenary meeting,
14 December 1970.*

2703 (XXV). Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa",

Having examined 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 this question,¹⁶

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, in particular the eighth preambular paragraph thereof, and its resolution 2425 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968,

Recalling further the relevant provisions of its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970 containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

Convinced that any economic or other activity which impedes the implementation of resolution 1514 (XV) and obstructs efforts aimed at the elimination of colonialism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa and other colonial Territories violates the political, economic and social rights and interests of the people in those Territories and is therefore incompatible with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling that the administering Powers have the obligation to ensure the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the Territories under their administration and to protect the population and the natural resources of those Territories against abuses, in accordance with Chapters XI and XII of the Charter,

1. *Approves* 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 this question;

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the peoples of dependent Territories to self-determination and independence and to the natural resources of their Territories, as well as their right to dispose of those resources in their best interests;

3. *Affirms* that foreign economic, financial and other interests operating in colonial Territories constitute a major obstacle to political independence as well as to

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 23A (A/8023/Rev.1/Add.1).