

Trust Territory of New Guinea in their efforts freely to decide their own future,

1. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea to self-determination and independence in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and the Trusteeship Agreement of 13 December 1946;

2. *Decides* that, in accordance with the express desire of the people of the Territories, the name to be applied for United Nations purposes to the Territory of Papua and the Trust Territory of New Guinea shall henceforth be "Papua New Guinea";

3. *Calls upon* the administering Power to take all necessary steps to ensure the speedy attainment by Papua New Guinea of self-government and independence as a single political and territorial entity and, in that regard, to establish, in consultation with the freely elected representatives of the people, a specific time-table for the free exercise by the people of Papua New Guinea of their right to self-determination and independence;

4. *Urges* the administering Power to discourage separatist movements and to ensure that the unity of Papua New Guinea is preserved throughout the period leading up to independence;

5. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council, while continuing to exercise its specific responsibilities towards the Trust Territory of New Guinea, and 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 bear in mind the need to consider Papua New Guinea as a single political and territorial entity and to take account of this when determining the itineraries of future visiting missions in consultation with the administering Power;

6. *Further requests* the Trusteeship Council to continue to include non-members of the Trusteeship Council in its periodic visiting missions on the basis recommended in General Assembly resolution 2590 (XXIV);

7. *Welcomes* the invitation extended by the administering Power to the Trusteeship Council to dispatch a special mission to observe the elections to the Papua New Guinea House of Assembly in 1972 and the fact that the mission will be composed as recommended in General Assembly resolution 2590 (XXIV);

8. *Recommends* that the report of this special mission and those of future missions should be submitted both to the Trusteeship Council and to the Special Committee;

9. *Urges* the administering Power to intensify its programme of political education in Papua New Guinea and to expedite the implementation of the programme for accelerated localization of the Papua New Guinea public service;

10. *Requests* the administering Power further to intensify and extend the educational services, including technical and administrative training, provided for the people of Papua New Guinea;

11. *Further requests* the administering Power to continue to expand the measures being taken to promote ownership, management and participation by the inhabitants of Papua New Guinea in enterprises throughout all sectors of the economy;

12. *Requests* the administering Power to report to the Trusteeship Council and the Special Committee on the implementation of the present resolution;

13. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council and the Special Committee to continue to examine this question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session.

*2028th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1971.*

## 2866 (XXVI). Question of the Seychelles

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of the Seychelles,

*Having considered* 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>19</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 further* its previous resolutions relating to the question, in particular resolution 2709 (XXV) of 14 December 1970,

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

*Mindful* of the views expressed to the Special Committee by the leader of the Seychelles People's United Party,<sup>20</sup>

*Noting* the statement of the Chief Minister of the Seychelles<sup>21</sup> that he would welcome the dispatch of a United Nations mission to the Territory and would agree to the holding of a referendum on the future status of the Territory under the auspices of the United Nations,

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 hereunder 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;

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, in consultation with the administering Power and with the assistance of the Secretary-General, to appoint immediately a special mission to visit the Seychelles for the purpose of recommending practical steps to be taken for the full implementation of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly—in particular for the purpose of determining the extent of

<sup>19</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/8423/Rev.1), chap. IX.

<sup>20</sup> See A/AC.109/SC.2/SR.96.

<sup>21</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Fourth Committee, 1927th meeting.*

United Nations participation in the preparation and supervision of the referendum on the future status of the Territory—and to submit a report thereon to the Special Committee;

4. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue its examination of the question and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session.

*2028th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1971.*

**2867 (XXVI). 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 resolution 2710 (XXV) of 14 December 1970,

*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>22</sup>

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 give full consideration to this question in accordance with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular resolution 2593 (XXIV) of 16 December 1969, and to report thereon to the Assembly at its twenty-seventh session.

*2028th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1971.*

**2868 (XXVI). Question of Niue and the Tokelau Islands**

*The General Assembly,*

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

*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>23</sup>

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

*Having heard* the statement of the representative of the administering Power,<sup>24</sup>

*Taking into account* the conclusions and recommendations of the Special Committee regarding developments in Niue and the Tokelau Islands,

*Noting* the recent constitutional developments in Niue which have been embodied in the Niue Amendment Act, enacted in 1971 by the Government of New Zealand as the administering Power,

*Noting with appreciation* that the administering Power has responded positively to the requests contained in the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly by extending an invitation to the Special Committee to send a visiting mission to Niue and the Tokelau Islands in 1972,

1. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of Niue and the Tokelau Islands to self-determination in conformity with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);

2. *Calls upon* the administering Power to take further measures, in accordance with the wishes of the people, to enable the people of the Territory to exercise their right to self-determination as soon as possible;

3. *Takes note* of the arrangements made 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 for the dispatch of a visiting mission to Niue in 1972<sup>25</sup> and requests the Special Committee to instruct the visiting mission to obtain first-hand information on conditions in the Territory and on the wishes and aspirations of its people and to recommend practical steps for their advancement as soon as possible towards self-government and self-determination;

4. *Requests* the administering Power to provide all the necessary assistance and facilities to the visiting mission in the discharge of its tasks;

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

*2028th plenary meeting,  
20 December 1971.*

**2869 (XXVI). Question of American Samoa, Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Brunei, Cayman Islands, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Guam, Montserrat, New Hebrides, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of American Samoa, Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Brunei, Cayman Islands, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Guam, Montserrat, New Hebrides, Pitcairn, St. Helena, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands,

*Having examined* the relevant chapters of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/8423/Rev.1), chap. XXII.

<sup>23</sup> *Ibid.*, chaps. IV and XV.

<sup>24</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-sixth Session, Fourth Committee, 1960th meeting.

<sup>25</sup> *Ibid.*, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/8423/Rev.1), chap. IV, para. 22.