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(United Kingdom of Great Britain  
and Northern Ireland).

### *Present:*

The representatives of the following States: Australia, China, France, Liberia, New Zealand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

The representatives of the following specialized agencies: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; World Health Organization.

## AGENDA ITEMS 4, 5 AND 6

Examination of annual reports of the Administering Authorities on the administration of Trust Territories for the year ended 30 June 1965:

(c) Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (concluded)\* (T/1652, T/L.1110 and Add.1)

Report of the World Health Organization on its investigation of the complaints contained in a petition concerning the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (concluded)\* (T/1647, T/L.1112)

Examination of petitions listed in the annex to the agenda (concluded)\* (T/PET.10/L.10, T/PET.10/L.11)

1. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council should take note of the petitions in documents T/PET.10/L.10 and T/PET.10/L.11 concerning the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands and agree that no further action was necessary.

*It was so decided.*

\*Resumed from the 1279th meeting.

## REPORT OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE ON THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS (T/L.1111)

2. Mr. BASDEVANT (France) introduced the report of the Drafting Committee on the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (T/L.1111).

3. In the paragraphs devoted to the question of political advancement, the Drafting Committee had referred to the measures of various kinds suggested by members of the Council with a view to accelerating the evolution of the Trust Territory. With regard to economic advancement, special emphasis had been placed on the need to maintain a balance between economic and social development, to associate the elected Micronesians with the preparation of a development plan, to raise the standard of living of the population, to increase credit facilities and to expand the communications network. In the paragraphs concerning social advancement, the Drafting Committee had stressed the assurances given by the Administering Authority about the implementation of the recommendations in the report of the World Health Organization (T/1647). Under the heading "Establishment of intermediate target dates and final time-table for the attainment of self-government or independence", the Drafting Committee had tried to interpret the feeling of the majority of the members of the Council.

4. The PRESIDENT invited the members of the Council to consider, paragraph by paragraph, the draft conclusions and recommendations prepared by the Drafting Committee (T/L.1111, annex).

### *Paragraph 1*

5. Mr. MAKAREVICH (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) proposed the deletion of the word "encouraging" in the phrase "the encouraging statement of the representative of the United States of America", which appeared in the second sentence of the paragraph. The situation in the Trust Territory could not be described as encouraging and the Soviet Union was dissatisfied with the efforts made by the Administering Authority in a number of fields.

6. Mr. BASDEVANT (France) said that the word "encouraging" had been used because it had seemed that an end to the protracted problem of war damage claims was in sight.

7. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) thought that the negotiations on the subject of war damage claims were encouraging.

8. The PRESIDENT put to the vote the Soviet Union amendment.

*The Soviet Union amendment was rejected by 7 votes to 1.*

*Paragraph 1 was adopted.*

*Paragraph 2*

9. Mr. MAKAREVICH (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) proposed the deletion of the words "with gratification". It was the duty of the Administering Authority to compensate the victims of fall-out of nuclear experiments in the Marshall Islands and there was no reason for the Council to express gratification.

*The Soviet Union amendment was rejected by 6 votes to 1.*

10. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) said that the summary of the debate to be included in the Council's report should mention a point she had raised: the money paid in compensation should not revert to the United States, if a beneficiary died without having indicated what should be done with the money paid to him.

11. Mr. Chiping H. C. KIANG (China) recalled that the representative of the Administering Authority had referred to the provisions of the law covering that point.

*Paragraph 2 was adopted.*

*Paragraphs 3 and 4*

*Paragraphs 3 and 4 were adopted.*

*Paragraph 5*

12. Mrs. ANDERSON (United States of America) thought that it was not appropriate to speak of the fusion of all the elements of Micronesian society into one "striking force". It would be better to use the word "cohesive" or some similar adjective.

13. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) recalled that the phrase "striking force" had been used by the United Nations Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1964, in its report (T/1620, para. 196); it was a good description of the development towards a unified Micronesian people.

14. Mr. McCARTHY (Australia) proposed that the words "striking force" should be replaced by the words "vital force".

*The Australian amendment was adopted by 6 votes to 1.*

*Paragraph 5, as amended, was adopted.*

*Paragraph 6*

*Paragraph 6 was adopted.*

*Paragraph 7*

15. Mr. Chiping H. C. KIANG (China) suggested that the words "had not so far sought to change the Secretarial Order" should be replaced by the words "had not yet sought to change the Secretarial Order".

*The Chinese amendment was adopted.*

*Paragraph 7, as amended, was adopted.*

*Paragraphs 8 to 11*

*Paragraphs 8 to 11 were adopted.*

*Paragraph 12*

16. Mr. MAKAREVICH (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) proposed the replacement of the word

"welcomes", in the first sentence, by the word "notes". He also proposed the deletion of the last sentence.

*The first Soviet Union amendment was rejected by 7 votes to 1.*

*The second Soviet Union amendment was rejected by 7 votes to 1.*

17. Mr. McDOWELL (New Zealand) suggested the addition to the end of the last sentence of the words "and suggests that priority be given also to assigning agricultural extension workers to the Territory under this programme".

*The New Zealand amendment was adopted.*

*Paragraph 12, as amended, was adopted.*

*Paragraphs 13 to 21*

*Paragraphs 13 to 21 were adopted.*

*Paragraph 22*

*Paragraph 22 was adopted.*

18. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) stated, for the record, that she thought it would have been more appropriate to speak of the Administering Authority giving "careful consideration", rather than "careful scrutiny", to conclusions and recommendations concerning medical and health services in the Territory.

*Paragraphs 23 and 24*

*Paragraphs 23 and 24 were adopted.*

*Paragraph 25*

19. Mr. MAKAREVICH (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) noted that the paragraph referred to the High Commissioner's expression of hope that he would see the people of Micronesia exercise their right to self-determination during his tenure of office. There was no indication of the length of the High Commissioner's tenure of office and the phrase should be made more explicit by reference to a specific date.

20. Mrs. ANDERSON (United States of America) said that the phrase reflected the words used by the High Commissioner and should not be changed. It was an accurate expression of the determination of the United States Government to help the people of Micronesia move towards self-determination at the earliest possible date. The tenure of office of the High Commissioner was decided by the President of the United States.

21. Mr. MAKAREVICH (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) proposed that the words "during his tenure of office" be replaced by the words "in the very near future".

*The Soviet Union amendment was rejected by 6 votes to 2.*

*Paragraph 25 was adopted.*

*Paragraph 26*

22. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) proposed that the words "at an appropriate time" be deleted from the last phrase, which should be reworded to read: "to take further steps which will enable it to fix a date when

the people of the Territory can exercise their right to self-determination".

23. Mr. MAKAREVICH (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) supported the Liberian amendment.

24. Mrs. ANDERSON (United States of America) thought that the original text reflected the views of the majority of the members of the Council. However, if the Council thought that the Liberian amendment should be adopted, her delegation would raise no objection.

*The Liberian amendment was adopted.*

*Paragraph 26, as amended, was adopted.*

25. The PRESIDENT put to the vote the recommendation made in paragraph 4 of the Drafting Committee's report (T/L.1111) that the Council should adopt the revised working paper on conditions in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (T/L.1110 and Add.1) as the basic text for the chapter on conditions in that Territory to be included in the next report of the Trusteeship Council to the General Assembly.

*The recommendation in paragraph 4 was adopted unanimously.*

26. The PRESIDENT put to the vote the recommendation made in paragraph 5 of the Drafting Committee's report (T/L.1111) that the Council should adopt the conclusions and recommendations set out in the annex to the report and include them at the end of each appropriate section or sub-section of the chapter.

*The recommendation in paragraph 5 was adopted unanimously.*

#### CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION T/L.1112

27. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) introduced the draft resolution submitted by her delegation (T/L.1112) on the report of the World Health Organization on its investigation of the complaints contained in a petition concerning the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

*The Liberian draft resolution (T/L.1112) was adopted unanimously.*

The meeting rose at 4.45 p.m.