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- ² This item which was kept on the agenda of the resumed fifteenth session for possible consideration was not discussed again.
 - ^a The General Assembly did not consider this item.
- ⁴ At its 966th plenary meeting on 23 March 1961, the General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the General Committee as set forth in its fourth report (A/4714), to include this item in the agenda and to discuss it without reference to a Committee.
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⁹ This item was not discussed by the Special Political Committee; the Committee declared that therefore it had no recommendation to make to the General Assembly (A/4751, para. 4).

²⁰ At its 259th meeting on 21 April 1961, the Special Political Committee decided not to take any action on this item; the Committee declared that therefore it had no recommendation to make to the General Assembly (A/4750, para. 8).

¹¹ This item was not discussed by the Special Political Committee; the Committee declared that therefore it had no recommendation to make to the General Assembly (A/4752, para. 4).

¹² At its 995th plenary meeting on 21 April 1961, the General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the Special Political Committee (A/4745, para. 6), to adjourn further discussion of this item until its sixteenth session.

¹⁸ At its 995th plenary meeting on 21 April 1961, the General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the Fourth Committee made at its 1154th meeting on 20 April 1961, to take up again the consideration of this item at its sixteenth session.

- 8. Participation of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the work of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies: report of the Secretary-General (item 40).²
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¹⁴ The General Assembly did not consider sub-item (d) of this item.

ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

(Item 16)

The General Assembly elected a sixth member of the Economic and Social ${\bf Council.^{15}}$

The following State was elected: ITALY.

987th plenary meeting, 18 April 1961.

¹⁶ The other five members were elected during the first part of the session. See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/4684), p. xvi.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

1618 (XV). Credentials of the representatives to the fifteenth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly

- 1. Approves the report of the Credentials Committee;1
- 2. Calls the attention of Member States to the necessity of complying with the requirements of rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly which provides:

"The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation shall be submitted to the Secretary-General if possible not less than one week before the date fixed for the opening of the session. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs."

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 3, document A/4743.

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The General Assembly,

Having heard the statements made by the Minister for External Relations of Cuba, the representative of the United States of America and other representatives,

Deeply concerned over the situation disclosed therein, which is disturbing world public opinion and the continuation of which could endanger world peace.

Recalling the last two paragraphs of the Security Council resolution of 19 July 1960¹ and the peaceful means of settlement established at the Seventh Meeting of Consultation of Foreign Ministers of the American Republics,

Considering that the States Members of the United Nations are under an obligation to settle their disputes by negotiation and other peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security, and justice, are not endangered,

Exhorts all Member States to take such peaceful action as is open to them to remove existing tension.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1617 (XV). Disarmament and the situation with regard to the fulfilment of General Assembly resolution 1378 (XIV) of 20 November 1959 on the question of disarmament

Report of the Disarmament Commission

Suspension of nuclear and thermo-nuclear tests

Prevention of the wider dissemination of nuclear weapons

The General Assembly

- 1. Takes note of the statements made by the heads of the delegations of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America on the question of disarmament;
- 2. Decides to take up for consideration at its sixteenth session the problem of disarmament and all pending proposals relating to it.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

¹ Official Records of the Security Council, Fifteenth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1960, document S/4395.

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1597 (XV). Treatment of people of Indian and Indo-Pakistan origin in the Union of South **Africa**

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1460 (XIV) of 10 December 1959.

Having considered the reports of the Governments of India¹ and Pakistan,²

- 1. Notes that the Governments of India and Pakistan have reiterated their readiness to enter into negotiations with the Government of the Union of South Africa in accordance with the expressed desires of the United Nations, and with the express declaration that such negotiations would not in any way prejudice their own position or the position taken by the Government of the Union of South Africa regarding their respective juridical stands in the dispute;
- 2. Notes with deep regret that the Government of the Union of South Africa has not replied to the communications from the Governments of India and Pakistan on this subject, and has not yet shown any disposition to arrive at a solution of this problem in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the repeated recommendations of the General Assembly;
- 3. Draws the attention of the Government of the Union of South Africa to the repeated appeals of the General Assembly to co-operate to this end;
- 4. Urges the Government of the Union of South Africa to enter into negotiations with the Governments of India and Pakistan;
- 5. Invites Member States to use their good offices in such manner as may be appropriate to bring about the negotiations envisaged by the General Assembly in this matter;
- 6. Invites the parties concerned to report to the General Assembly, jointly or separately, regarding any progress which may be made.

981st plenary meeting, 13 April 1961.

1598 (XV). Question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of apartheid of the Government of the Union of South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its previous resolutions on the question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of apartheid of the Government of the Union of South Africa.

Considering that its resolutions 610 B (VII) of 5 December 1952, 917 (X) of 6 December 1955 and 1248 (XIII) of 30 October 1958 have declared that racial policies designed to perpetuate or increase discrimination are inconsistent with the Charter of the United Nations and with the pledges of Members under Article 56 of the Charter,

Noting that its resolutions 395 (V) of 2 December 1950, 511 (VI) of 12 January 1952 and 616 A (VII) of 5 December 1952 have successively affirmed that the policy of racial segregation (apartheid) is necessarily based on doctrines of racial discrimination.

Recalling also that the Government of the Union of South Africa has failed to comply with the repeated requests and demands of the United Nations and world public opinion and to reconsider or revise its racial policies or to observe its obligations under the Charter,

- 1. Deplores such continued and total disregard by the Government of the Union of South Africa and furthermore its determined aggravation of racial issues by more discriminatory laws and measures and their enforcement, accompanied by violence and bloodshed;
- 2. Deprecates policies based on racial discrimination as reprehensible and repugnant to human dignity;
- 3. Requests all States to consider taking such separate and collective action as is open to them, in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations, to bring about the abandonment of these policies;
- 4. Affirms that the racial policies being pursued by the Government of the Union of South Africa are a flagrant violation of the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and are inconsistent with the obligations of a Member State;

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 70, document A/4416. ² Ibid., document A/4417.

- 5. Notes with grave concern that these policies have led to international friction and that their continuance endangers international peace and security;
- 6. Reminds the Government of the Union of South Africa of the requirement in Article 2, paragraph 2, of the Charter that all Members shall fulfil in good faith the obligations assumed by them under the Charter;
- 7. Calls upon the Government of the Union of South Africa once again to bring its policies and conduct into conformity with its obligations under the Charter.

981st plenary meeting, 13 April 1961.

1604 (XV). Report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 194 (III) of 11 December 1948, 302 (IV) of 8 December 1949, 393 (V) of 2 December 1950, 513 (VI) of 26 January 1952, 614 (VII) of 6 November 1952, 720 (VIII) of 27 November 1953, 818 (IX) of 4 December 1954, 916 (X) of 3 December 1955, 1018 (XI) of 28 February 1957, 1191 (XII) of 12 December 1957, 1315 (XIII) of 12 December 1958 and 1456 (XIV) of 9 December 1959,

Noting the annual report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, covering the period 1 July 1959-30 June 1960,³

Noting with deep regret that repatriation or compensation of the refugees as provided for in paragraph 11 of General Assembly resolution 194 (III) has not been effected, that no substantial progress has been made in the programme endorsed in paragraph 2 of resolution 513 (VI) for the reintegration of refugees either by repatriation or resettlement and that, therefore, the situation of the refugees continues to be a matter of serious concern,

- 1. Notes with regret that the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine has not yet been able to report progress on carrying out the task entrusted to it in paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 1456 (XIV), and again requests the Commission to make efforts to secure the implementation of paragraph 11 of Assembly resolution 194 (III) and report thereon not later than 15 October 1961;
- 2. Directs attention to the precarious financial position of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and urges Governments to consider to what extent they can contribute or increase their contributions so that the Agency can carry out its programmes;
- 3. Expresses its thanks to the Director and the staff of the Agency for their continued faithful efforts to carry out the mandate of the Agency, and to the specialized agencies and the many private organizations for their valuable and continuing work in assisting the refugees.

993rd plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

⁸ Ibid., Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/4478).

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1593 (XV). Appeal to Member States which have particularly close and continuous relations with the Government of the Union of South Africa, with respect to the situation in the Territory of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling the many resolutions adopted, since its first session, on the question of South West Africa, and especially resolution 1568 (XV) of 18 December 1960,

Noting with concern that up to the present time the Government of the Union of South Africa has ignored those resolutions and has, instead, adopted an attitude contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting with special concern the refusal of the Mandatory Power to implement resolution 1568 (XV),

Likewise noting with concern the continued acts whereby, since 1950, the Government of the Union of South Africa has attempted to bring about the assimilation of the Territory of South West Africa, and in particular the so-called referendum of 5 October 1960 in which only the "European" inhabitants of the Territory were permitted to take part,

Considering that the conduct of the Government of the Union of South Africa constitutes a challenge to the authority of the United Nations,

Considering that attempts at the assimilation of the Mandated Territory of South West Africa, culminating in the so-called referendum of 5 October 1960, are totally unacceptable as having no moral or legal basis and being repugnant to the letter and spirit of the Mandate,

Appeals to those Members of the United Nations which have particularly close and continuous relations with the Government of the Union of South Africa to bring, as a matter of urgency, all their influence to bear on that Government with a view to ensuring that it shall adjust its conduct to its obligations under the Charter of the United Nations and shall give effect to the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly.

963rd plenary meeting, 16 March 1961.

1596 (XV). Question of South West Africa

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the provisions of the General Assembly's Declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples, which declares that immediate steps shall be taken to transfer all powers to such peoples, without any conditions or reservations, in accordance with their freely expressed will and desire, without any distinction as to race, creed or colour, in order to enable them to enjoy complete independence and freedom,

Recalling its resolution 1568 (XV) of 18 December 1960 inviting the Committee on South West Africa to go to South West Africa immediately, inter alia, to investigate the situation prevailing in the Territory,

Noting with deep regret, from the preliminary report of the Committee on South West Africa² called for under the said resolution, that the Government of the Union of South Africa refuses to co-operate with the

¹ See resolution 1514 (XV).

² Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 43, document A/4705.

United Nations by facilitating the mission of the Committee on South West Africa,

Convinced that it is both the right and the duty of the United Nations to discharge fully and effectively its obligations with respect to the proper implementation, under its supervision, of the Mandate for South West Africa conferred upon His Britannic Majesty, to be exercised on his behalf by the Government of the Union of South Africa,

Noting with grave concern the continuing deterioration in the situation in South West Africa resulting from the continued application, in violation of the letter and spirit of the Mandate, of tyrannical policies and practices, such as apartheid, of the administration of the Union of South Africa in South West Africa,

Reiterating its concern that this situation constitutes a serious threat to international peace and security,

- 1. Recognizes and supports the passionate yearning of the people of South West Africa for freedom and the exercise of national independence and sovereignty;
- 2. Rejects the position taken by the Government of the Union of South Africa in refusing to co-operate with the United Nations in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 1568 (XV) as well as other resolutions concerning South West Africa;
- 3. Deplores the attempts at the assimilation of the Mandated Territory of South West Africa, culminating in the so-called referendum held on 5 October 1960, as totally unacceptable, having no moral or legal basis and being repugnant to the letter and spirit of the Mandate;
- 4. Considers that the full and effective discharge of the tasks assigned to the Committee on South West Africa in paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 1568 (XV) is essential to the protection of the lives and property of the inhabitants of South West Africa, to the amelioration of the prevailing conditions in South West Africa, the continuance of which is likely to endanger international peace and security, and to the exercise of the right of self-determination by the people of South West Africa in complete freedom and of their right of accession to national sovereignty and independence with the least delay;
- 5. Requests the Committee on South West Africa, therefore, immediately to proceed to discharge the special and urgent tasks entrusted to it in resolution 1568 (XV) as fully and expeditiously as possible with the co-operation of the Government of the Union of South Africa if such co-operation is available, and without it if necessary;
- 6. Requests the States Members of the United Nations to extend to the Committee on South West Africa such assistance as it may require in the discharge of these tasks;
- 7. Decides to call the attention of the Security Council to the situation in respect of South West Africa which, if allowed to continue, will in the General Assembly's view endanger international peace and security, and to the present resolution, the full implementation of which is necessary to bring that situation to a speedy end;
- 8. Takes note with grave concern of reports of the terrorization of, and armed action against, the indigenous inhabitants, and calls upon the Government of the Union of South Africa to desist from such acts;

9. Requests the Committee on South West Africa to submit to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session a report on the implementation of resolution 1568 (XV) as well as the present resolution.

979th plenary meeting, 7 April 1961.

1605 (XV). Question of the future of Ruanda-Urundi

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the provisions of the General Assembly's Declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples,¹

Recalling its resolutions 1579 (XV) and 1580 (XV) of 20 December 1960 concerning the future of the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi,

Having received the interim report of the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi³ appointed under resolution 1579 (XV),

Regretting the failure of the Administering Authority to implement fully and effectively the terms of resolution 1579 (XV), the resistance to such implementation by the local representatives of the Administering Authority in Ruanda-Urundi and their failure to co-operate fully and effectively with the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi,

Regretting the de facto recognition by the Administering Authority of governmental bodies in Ruanda which were established by irregular and unlawful means and which cannot be regarded as fully representative of all segments of the population in the absence of free and fair elections on the basis of direct universal adult suffrage, as envisaged in resolution 1579 (XV),

Regretting also the setting up of governmental bodies in Urundi on the basis of communal elections, contrary to the assurances given by the Administering Authority that communal elections were purely administrative and had no political character,

Noting the several statements of the representatives of the Administering Authority conveying assurances that it will co-operate fully with the United Nations in Ruanda-Urundi,

Having heard the views of the petitioners from Ruanda-Urundi,

- 1. Expresses its appreciation to the members of the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi for their conscientious discharge of the duties entrusted to them under General Assembly resolutions 1579 (XV) and 1580 (XV);
- 2. Calls upon the Government of Belgium as the Administering Authority to ensure that the provisions of resolution 1579 (XV) are fully implemented by its representatives in Ruanda-Urundi before the legislative elections:
- 3. Recognizes that the Government of Belgium is alone responsible for the administration of the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi and accountable to the United Nations, and that its responsibilities as Administering Authority cannot in any way be abdicated to local political bodies and leaders until after appropriate democratic institutions have been set up and the Trus-

³ Ibid., agenda item 45, addendum, documents A/4706 and Add.1.

teeship Agreement has been terminated, all with the approval of the United Nations;

- 4. Considers it necessary that, pending the establishment of popular governments on the basis of the legislative elections to be held in 1961, broad-based caretaker governments be constituted immediately in both parts of the Trust Territory to attend to current affairs of administration and to act in strict conformity with the obligations of the Administering Authority for the implementation of the resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 5. Declares that it is clearly the obligation and the responsibility of the Administering Authority to create the necessary conditions and atmosphere for the proper conduct of the national elections and not to permit any local authorities to impede the implementation of the resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 6. Decides that the referendum on the question of the Mwami, contemplated in resolution 1580 (XV), and the legislative elections in Ruanda-Urundi should be held in the month of August 1961 on the basis of direct universal adult suffrage, under the supervision of the United Nations, and that these be organized by the Administering Authority in full consultation with the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi, the actual dates to be fixed, after mutual consultation, in the light of the prevailing circumstances;
- 7. Decides further that the questions to be put at the referendum on the question of the Mwami in Ruanda should be the following:
 - "1. Do you wish to retain the institution of the Mwami in Ruanda?
 - "2. If so, do you wish Kigeli V to continue as the Mwami of Ruanda?";
- 8. Requests the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi, composed of three members elected by the General Assembly on 20 December 1960, hereafter to be designated United Nations Commissioners, to return to Ruanda-Urundi at the earliest possible time to assist and advise the Administering Authority in the full and proper implementation of resolution 1579 (XV) and the present resolution, and to perform the other tasks entrusted to it;
- 9. Notes the information given by the representative of the Administering Authority concerning measures of amnesty already implemented, and recommends that:
- (a) Full and unconditional amnesty, as envisaged in resolution 1579 (XV), be immediately granted by the Administering Authority;
- (b) The few remaining cases which, in the Administering Authority's view, are guilty of "very grave crimes" be examined by a Special Commission composed of the representatives of three Member States to be elected by the General Assembly, with a view to securing their release from prison or return from abroad in the full implementation of the Assembly's recommendation concerning amnesty not later than two months before the national elections;
- 10. Notes the observations contained in paragraphs 199-203 of the interim report of the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi and calls upon the Administering Authority to observe strictly its international obligations under the Trusteeship Agreement;
- 11. Requests the Administering Authority to ensure that the material conditions essential to the successful

- discharge by the United Nations Commissioners of their responsibilities, such as housing, office space, travel facilities, information and the free use of official broadcasting facilities are provided, and that the local authorities co-operate fully with them;
- 12. Requests the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session;
- 13. Decides to maintain this item on the agenda of the present session, without closing the debate thereon, and authorizes the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi, in the event that the performance of its duties is hindered through deliberate obstruction or lack of the requisite co-operation from any quarter, to return to United Nations Headquarters and request the President of the General Assembly to reconvene the Assembly immediately to consider further measures essential to the discharge of the United Nations obligations with respect to the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi;
- 14. Calls upon the Administering Authority to rescind Legislative Order No. 221/296 of 25 October 1960, so as to ensure that there is no unwarranted interference with the exercise of public freedom and that no persons may be removed or detained without recourse to due process of law;
- 15. Reiterates its conviction that the best future for Ruanda-Urundi lies in the accession of that Territory to independence as a single, united and composite State;
- 16. Considers that the full implementation of all the provisions of the present resolution will enable the General Assembly at its sixteenth session to consider the termination of the Trusteeship Agreement at the earliest possible date.

994th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

At its 994th plenary meeting on 21 April 1961, the General Assembly appointed the members of the Special Commission established under the terms of paragraph 9 (b) of the above resolution

The Special Commission is composed as follows: Brazil, Canada and Tunisia.

1606 (XV). Land tenure and agrarian reform in Ruanda-Urundi

The General Assembly,

Recalling that the United Nations Visiting Mission to Trust Territories in East Africa, 1960, stated in its report on Ruanda-Urundi that since the November 1959 disturbances the question of the necessary changes in the land tenure system has become even more urgent, and that the present position represents an obstacle to lasting peace in the country and impedes the rational utilization of land, without which agriculture and stockbreeding cannot properly develop,⁴

Recalling that the Trusteeship Council at its twenty-sixth session adopted the following recommendation:

"The Council, noting that basic reforms are needed in the land tenure system of the Trust Territory, expresses the hope that the new representative bodies

^{*}Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 3 (T/1551), document T/1538, para.

to be constituted in Ruanda-Urundi will give urgent consideration to these problems",⁵

Recalling that the Trusteeship Council and the Committee on Rural Economic Development have in the past made various studies of the problem of population, land utilization and land tenure system in Ruanda-Urundi,

Bearing in mind that the majority of the petitioners are agreed that this problem is of vital importance to the Territory,

Considering that a satisfactory land tenure system is essential to the peaceful evolution and satisfactory economic development of newly independent territories,

- 1. Recommends that the Administering Authority urgently request the United Nations and the specialized agencies, under the technical assistance programmes, to dispatch an expert mission to study the problem of land tenure and land utilization in Ruanda-Urundi, in cooperation with the local authorities, with a view to determining how far the present system is prejudicial to the Territory's social and economic development, and to recommend corrective measures;
- 2. Expresses the hope that the Technical Assistance Board and the specialized agencies concerned will give favourable consideration to such a request.

994th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1607 (XV). Dissemination of information on the United Nations and the International Trusteeship System in Trust Territories

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1276 (XIII) of 5 December 1958 and resolution 1410 (XIV) of 5 December 1959 whereby the General Assembly, inter alia, requested the Secretary-General to initiate discussions with the Administering Authorities of Trust Territories with a view to establishing, during 1960, in at least some of the larger Trust Territories, such as Tanganyika, Ruanda-Urundi and New Guinea, United Nations information centres in which the responsible positions would be occupied preferably by indigenous inhabitants of the Trust Territories concerned,

Having perused the report of the Secretary-General⁶ prepared in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1410 (XIV), and observing therefrom that the dissemination of information on the United Nations among the peoples of the Trust Territories is still far from satisfactory,

Keeping in view the special status of Trust Territories and their inhabitants and also the General Assembly's own special responsibilities under Chapters XII and XIII of the Charter of the United Nations,

Reiterating that it is essential, in the General Assembly's view, that the peoples of Trust Territories should receive adequate information concerning the purposes and operation of the United Nations and of the International Trusteeship System, the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the Declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples contained in Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on dissemination of information on the United Nations and the International Trusteeship System in Trust Territories;
- 2. Considers that United Nations information centres constitute one of the most important means of disseminating information about the United Nations in these Territories;
- 3. Takes note of the statement of the representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland that, as a result of discussions between the Secretary-General and the Administering Authority, steps have been taken to establish, in the near future, a United Nations information centre in Tanganyika;
- 4. Takes further note of the recommendation in paragraph 224 of the interim report of the United Nations Commission for Ruanda-Urundi³ that a United Nations information centre should be set up with all possible speed in Ruanda-Urundi;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to establish, without any further delay, in Tanganyika, Ruanda-Urundi and New Guinea, United Nations information centres in which the responsible positions would be occupied by indigenous inhabitants of the Trust Territories concerned;
- 6. *Invites* the Administering Authorities to extend their co-operation and assistance to the Secretary-General in implementing the present resolution;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure the immediate and mass publication and the widest possible circulation and dissemination, in all the Trust Territories through all media of mass communication, of the Declaration on the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples;
- 8. Requests that the information referred to in the present resolution should be disseminated in the principal local languages as well as in the language of the Administering Authority;
- 9. Further requests the Secretary-General to prepare for the Trusteeship Council at its twenty-seventh session and for the General Assembly at its sixteenth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

994th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1608 (XV). The future of the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1350 (XIII) of 13 March 1959 concerning the future of the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration in which the General Assembly recommended, interalia, that the Administering Authority take steps, in consultation with the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner for the Cameroons under United Kingdom Administration, to organize, under the supervision of the United Nations, separate plebiscites in the northern and southern parts of the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration, in order to ascertain the wishes of the inhabitants of the Territory concerning their future, and that the plebiscite in the Northern Cameroons be held about the middle of November 1959

⁵ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 4 (A/4404), part II, chapter II, para. 184.

⁶ Ibid., Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 46, documents A/4542 and Add.1.

on the basis of the two questions set out in paragraph 2 of the said resolution,

Recalling its resolution 1352 (XIV) of 16 October 1959 whereby it decided, inter alia, that a plebiscite in the Southern Cameroons would be held between 30 September 1960 and March 1961, on the basis of the two questions set forth in paragraph 2 of the said resolution,

Recalling further its resolution 1473 (XIV) of 12 December 1959 in which the General Assembly, having considered the results of the plebiscite in the northern part of the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration, recommended the organization by the Administering Authority, in consultation with the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner, of a further plebiscite to be held in the Northern Cameroons under United Nations supervision between 30 September 1960 and March 1961, on the basis of the two questions defined in paragraph 3 of the said resolution,

Having examined the report of the United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner concerning the two plebiscites held in the Northern and the Southern Cameroons in February 19617 and the report of the Trusteeship Council thereon,8

Having heard the petitioners,

- 1. Expresses its high appreciation of the work of United Nations Plebiscite Commissioner for the Cameroons under United Kingdom Administration and his staff;
 - 2. Endorses the results of the plebiscites that:
- (a) The people of the Northern Cameroons have, by a substantial majority, decided to achieve independence by joining the independent Federation of Nigeria;
- (b) The people of the Southern Cameroons have similarly decided to achieve independence by joining the independent Republic of Cameroun;
- 3. Considers that, the people of the two parts of the Trust Territory having freely and secretly expressed their wishes with regard to their respective futures in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 1352 (XIV) and 1473 (XIV), the decisions made by them through democratic processes under the supervision of the United Nations should be immediately implemented;
- 4. Decides that, the plebiscites having been taken separately with differing results, the Trusteeship Agreement of 13 December 1946 concerning the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration shall be terminated, in accordance with Article 76 b of the Charter of the United Nations and in agreement with the Administering Authority, in the following manner:
- (a) With respect to the Northern Cameroons, on 1 June 1961, upon its joining the Federation of Nigeria as a separate province of the Northern Region of Ni-
- (b) With respect to the Southern Cameroons, on 1 October 1961, upon its joining the Republic of Cameroun;
- 5. Invites the Administering Authority, the Government of the Southern Cameroons and the Republic of Cameroun to initiate urgent discussions with a view to finalizing, before 1 October 1961, the arrangements by which the agreed and declared policies of the parties concerned will be implemented.

994th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1609 (XV). The future of Tanganyika

The General Assembly,

Having considered the communication of 17 April 1961 from the Administering Authority,9

- 1. Notes that the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Tanganyika have agreed that Tanganyika should become independent on 28 December 1961;
- 2. Resolves, in agreement with the Administering Authority, that the Trusteeship Agreement for Tanganyika, approved by the General Assembly on 13 December 1946, shall cease to be in force upon the accession of Tanganyika to independence on 28 December 1961;
- 3. Recommends that, upon the attainment of its independence on 28 December 1961, Tanganyika shall be admitted to membership in the United Nations in accordance with Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations:
- 4. Requests the Administering Authority to present to the Trusteeship Council, at its twenty-seventh session to be held in the summer of 1961, further information on the constitutional conference held at Dar es Salaam in March 1961 and on the measures already taken or planned by the Administering Authority to ensure the transfer of powers to the legislative and executive organs of Tanganyika.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1610 (XV). Report of the Trusteeship Council

The General Assembly,

Having received the report of the Trusteeship Council covering the period from 7 August 1959 to 30 June 1960.10

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Trusteeship Coun-
- 2. Recommends that the Administering Authorities take account of the recommendations and observations contained in the report.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1611 (XV). Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of **Trust Territories**

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1411 (XIV) of 5 December 1959, which requested the Secretary-General to prepare, for the fifteenth session of the General Assembly, a report on the actual use of scholarships and training facilities offered by Member States to students from Trust Territories, in accordance with its resolution 557 (VI) of 18 January 1952 which invited Member States to make scholarships available to qualified students from Trust Territories,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General 11 and of part I, chapter VI, section D, of the report of the Trusteeship Council,10 containing information on

⁷ *Ibid.*, agenda item 13, addendum, document A/4727. ⁸ *Ibid.*, agenda item 13, document A/4726.

⁹ Ibid., document A/C.4/489.

¹⁰ Ibid., Fifteenth Session, Supplement No. 4 (A/4404).

¹¹ Ibid., Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 47, documents A/4498 and Add.1.

the scholarships offered since 1959 by various Member States to students from Trust Territories and on the utilization of these scholarships;

- 2. Decides to postpone until its sixteenth session a full consideration of the question of offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session a further report on the scholarships offered by Member States to students from Trust Territories, and on their utilization:
- 4. *Invites* the Secretary-General to include in this report such observations as he may wish to make regarding the operation of the United Nations programme of scholarships for students from Trust Territories;
- 5. Requests the Trusteeship Council to continue its consideration of this question at its twenty-seventh session and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixteenth session;
- 6. Decides to place this question as a separate item on the provisional agenda of its sixteenth session.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

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1595 (XV). United Nations operations in the Congo: 1961 cost estimates and financing

The General Assembly,

Recognizing that the question of the 1961 cost estimates for the United Nations operations in the Congo and the financing of these operations is currently under consideration,

Authorizes the Secretary-General, pending action by the General Assembly at its resumed fifteenth session and without prejudice to such action, to continue until 21 April 1961 to incur commitments for the United Nations operations in the Congo at a level not to exceed \$8 million per month.

973rd plenary meeting, 3 April 1961.

1612 (XV). Appointment to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Committee on Contributions

The General Assembly

1. Appoints the following person as a member of the Committee on Contributions:

Mr. Antonio Arráiz;

2. Declares Mr. Arráiz to be appointed for a period beginning on the date of the present resolution and ending on 31 December 1962.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1613 (XV). Appointment to fill a vacancy in the membership of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The General Assembly

1. Appoints the following person as a member of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal:

Mr. Héctor Gros Espiell;

2. Declares Mr. Gros Espiell to be appointed for a period beginning on the date of the present resolution and ending on 31 December 1963.

995th plenary mecting, 21 April 1961.

1614 (XV). United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: supplementary amendments to the Regulations of the Fund

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1561 (XV) of 18 December 1960 relating to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund.

Having considered the reports of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board¹ and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

1. Resolves that the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund as revised by General Assembly resolution 1561 (XV) be further amended, also with effect from 1 April 1961, as follows:

ARTICLE IV (Retirement henefits)

Delete paragraph 1 (c).

ARTICLE VIII
(Child's benefit)

In paragraph 4, replace "article IV.1 (c)" by "article X.3 (d)"

ARTICLE X
(Withdrawal settlements)

Add the following paragraph 3(d):

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 63. document A/C.5/861, annex.

² Ibid., document A/4724.

"Where the participant withdraws from the Fund after having reached the age of fifty-five and before reaching the age of sixty, an immediate life annuity equal in actuarial value to the retirement benefit he would have received under article IV.1 (a), had he been sixty at the date his service ceased, together with all those survivorship benefits and options to which under articles IV, IV bis, VII, VII bis, VII ter and VIII a recipient of a retirement benefit is entitled, except only that article IV.1 (b) and article IV.4 shall not apply."

2. Further resolves that a reference to article X.3 (d) shall be added to the second group of articles cited in paragraph 2 of section III of resolution 1561 (XV).

> 995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1615 (XV). Review of the resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind its resolution 1585 (XV) of 20 December 1960,

Having considered the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the question of the review of the resolution relating to unforeseen and extraordinary expenses of the United Nations,3

Decides that if, as a result of a decision of the Security Council, new commitments relating to the maintenance of peace and security should arise under paragraph 1 of resolution 1585 (XV) in an estimated total exceeding \$10 million before the sixteenth session of the General Assembly, a special session of the Assembly shall be convened by the Secretary-General to consider the matter.

> 995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1619 (XV). United Nations operations in the Congo: 1961 cost estimates and financing

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Security Council resolutions of 14 July,⁴ 22 July⁵ and 9 August 1960⁸ and 21 February 1961,⁷ and General Assembly resolutions 1474 (ES-IV) of 20 September 1960 and 1599 (XV), 1600 (XV) and 1601 (XV) of 15 April 1961,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the estimated cost of the United Nations operations in the Congo from 1 January to 31 December 19618 and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon,9

Bearing in mind that the extraordinary expenses for the United Nations operations in the Congo are essentially different in nature from the expenses of the Organization under the regular budget and that therefore a procedure different from that applied in the case of the regular budget is required for meeting these extraordinary expenses,

Bearing in mind that the permanent members of the Security Council have a special responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security and therefore for contributing to the financing of peace and security operations,

Noting with appreciation the intention declared by certain Member States to make substantial voluntary contributions,

- 1. Decides to open an ad hoc account for the expenses of the United Nations operations in the Congo for 1961;
- 2. Approves the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraphs 2, 29 and 30 of its report, subject to paragraph 3 below;
- 3. Decides to appropriate an amount of \$100 million for the operations of the United Nations in the Congo from 1 January to 31 October 1961;
- 4. Decides further to apportion as expenses of the Organization the amount of \$100 million among the Member States in accordance with the scale of assessment for the regular budget subject to the provisions of paragraph 8 below, pending the establishment of a different scale of assessment to defray the extraordinary expenses of the Organization resulting from these operations;
- 5. Urges the permanent members of the Security Council to make sizable additional contributions;
- 6. Appeals to all other Member States who are in a position to assist to make voluntary contributions;
- 7. Calls upon the Government of Belgium, a State directly concerned with the situation in the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville), to make a substantial contribution:
 - 8. Decides to reduce:
- (a) By 80 per cent the assessment of Member States whose contributions to the regular budget range from 0.04 per cent to 0.25 per cent inclusive;
- (b) By 80 per cent the assessment of Member States receiving assistance during 1960 under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, whose contributions to the regular budget range from 0.26 per cent to 1.25 per cent inclusive;
- (c) By 50 per cent the assessment of Member States receiving assistance during 1960 under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, whose contributions to the regular budget are 1.26 per cent and above;
- 9. Decides to apply the additional contributions of Member States under paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 above to offset the deficit resulting from the implementation of the provisions of paragraph 8.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

1620 (XV). Examination of the administrative and budgetary procedures of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having in mind that among the main purposes of the United Nations are the maintenance of international peace and security, the pacific settlement of disputes

⁸ Ibid., agenda item 50, document A/4715. ⁴ Official Records of the Security Council, Fifteenth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1960, document

⁶ Ibid., document S/4405

^o Ibid., document S/4426.

Ibid., Sixteenth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1961, document S/4741.

⁸ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda items 49/50, document A/4703. ⁹ Ibid., document A/4713.

and international economic and social co-operation with a view to the creation of conditions of stability and well-being necessary for peaceful and friendly relations among nations,

Recognizing that in order to fulfil these purposes the United Nations must have at its disposal adequate financial resources and generally recognized procedures for dealing with the financial problems resulting from activities undertaken by the Organization,

Believing that, with the continuing growth and development of the United Nations, increasing demands will be made on the Organization in the fulfilment of its purposes,

Believing also that in these circumstances it would be appropriate to review the administrative and budgetary questions relating to the expenditures of the United Nations,

- 1. Decides to place on the provisional agenda of its sixteenth session, as a matter of prime importance and urgency, the question of the administrative and budgetary procedures of the United Nations, including the following points:
- (a) Methods for covering the cost of peace-keeping operations;
- (b) The relationship between such methods and the existing administrative and budgetary procedures of the Organization;
- 2. Requests the President of the General Assembly to appoint a working group composed of fifteen Member States—the permanent members of the Security Council, two States from Africa, two from Asia, two from Latin America, two from Western Europe, one from Eastern Europe and one from the Commonwealth—to consider the points mentioned in paragraph 1 above, in

consultation, as appropriate, with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Committee on Contributions, and to report in good time for the sixteenth session of the Assembly;

- 3. Requests the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in assisting the working group, to consider what improvements might be required in the existing administrative and budgetary procedures of the United Nations and any other measures to ensure the financial stability of the Organization;
- 4. Requests Member States to submit not later than 1 July 1961, for consideration by the working group, observations on principles to be applied in determining a special scale of assessments for peace and security, and on other matters relevant to its study;
- 5. Decides to refer to its sixteenth session all relevant documentation for consideration under this item, the records of the fifteenth session and all draft resolutions submitted to it, any observations which may be made by Member States, and the reports requested in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 above.

995th plenary meeting, 21 April 1961.

The President of the General Assembly, in pursuance of the above resolution, appointed the members of the working group established under the terms of paragraph 2 of that resolution.

The working group is composed as follows: Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, France, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

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1594 (XV). Agreement on the relationship between the United Nations and the International Development Association

The General Assembly,

Having considered the Agreement entered into on 22 December 1960 between the Economic and Social Council and the International Development Association,¹

Approves this Agreement.

968th plenary meeting, 27 March 1961.

1599 (XV). The situation in the Republic of the Congo

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1474 (ES-IV) of 20 September 1960 and the Security Council resolutions of 14 July, 22 July and 9 August 1960 and, more particularly, that of 21 February 1961, urging the immediate withdrawal and evacuation of all Belgian and other foreign military and paramilitary personnel and political advisers not under the United Nations Command, and mercenaries,

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 91, document A/4683, annex.

* Ibid., document S/4405.

* Ibid., document S/4426.

Deploring that despite all these requests the Government of Belgium has not yet complied with the resolutions and that such non-compliance has mainly contributed to the further deterioration of the situation in the Congo,

Convinced that the central factor in the present grave situation in the Congo is the continued presence of Belgian and other foreign military and paramilitary personnel and political advisers, and mercenaries, in total disregard of repeated resolutions of the United Nations,

- 1. Calls upon the Government of Belgium to accept its responsibilities as a Member of the United Nations and to comply fully and promptly with the will of the Security Council and of the General Assembly;
- 2. Decides that all Belgian and other foreign military and paramilitary personnel and political advisers not under the United Nations Command, and mercenaries, shall be completely withdrawn and evacuated;
- 3. Calls upon all States to exert their influence and extend their co-operation to effect the implementation of the present resolution.

985th plenary meeting, 15 April 1961.

1600 (XV). The situation in the Republic of the Congo

The General Assembly,

Having considered the situation in the Republic of the Congo,

^{*}Official Records of the Security Council, Fifteenth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1960, document

^{*}Ibid., Sixteenth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1961, document S/4741.

Gravely concerned at the danger of civil war and foreign intervention and at the threat to international peace and security,

Taking note of the report of the Conciliation Commission⁶ appointed in pursuance of paragraph 3 of its resolution 1474 (ES-IV) of 20 September 1960,

Mindful of the desire of the Congolese people for a solution of the crisis in the Congo through national reconciliation and return to constitutionality without delay,

Noting with concern the many difficulties that have arisen in the way of effective functioning of the United Nations operation in the Congo,

- 1. Reaffirms its resolution 1474 (ES-IV) and the Security Council resolutions on the situation in the Congo, more particularly the Council resolution of 21 February 1961;⁵
- 2. Calls upon the Congolese authorities concerned to desist from attempting a military solution to their problems and resolve them by peaceful means;
- 3. Considers it essential that necessary and effective measures be taken by the Secretary-General immediately to prevent the introduction of arms, military equipment and supplies into the Congo, except in conformity with the resolutions of the United Nations;
- 4. *Urges* the immediate release of all members of Parliament and members of provincial assemblies and all other political leaders now under detention;
- 5. Urges the convening of Parliament without delay, with safe conduct and security extended to the members of Parliament by the United Nations, so that Parliament may take the necessary decisions concerning the formation of a national government and on the future constitutional structure of the Republic of the Congo in accordance with the constitutional processes laid down in the Loi fondamentale;
- 6. Decides to appoint a Commission of Conciliation of seven members to be designated by the President of the General Assembly to assist the Congolese leaders to achieve reconciliation and to end the political crisis;
- 7. Urges the Congolese authorities to co-operate fully in the implementation of the resolutions of the Security Council and of the General Assembly and to accord all facilities essential to the performance by the United Nations of functions envisaged in those resolutions.

985th plenary meeting, 15 April 1961.

1601 (XV). The situation in the Republic of the Congo

The General Assembly,

Recalling part A, paragraph 4, of the Security Council resolution of 21 February 1961,⁵

Taking note of documents S/4771 and Add.1,7

1. Decides to establish a Commission of Investigation consisting of the following members:

Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 85, documents A/4711 and Add. 1 and 2. Report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council on the implementation of part A, paragraph 4, of the Council resolution of 21 February 1961.

Justice U Aung Khine (Burma),

Mr. Teschome Hailemariam (Ethiopia),

Mr. Salvador Martínez de Alva (Mexico),

Mr. Ayité d'Almeida (Togo);

2. Requests the Commission to proceed as early as possible to carry out the task entrusted to it.

985th plenary meeting, 15 April 1961.

1602 (XV). Admission of new Members to the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Noting that the Mongolian People's Republic has been awaiting a decision on its application for admission to membership in the United Nations since 1946,

Noting that eight members of the Security Council voted on 4 December 1960 in favour of a draft resolution recommending the admission of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania to membership in the United Nations, but that no recommendation was made to the General Assembly because of the opposition of a permanent member.⁸

Considering that it is important for the future of the United Nations that all applicant States which fulfil the conditions laid down in Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations should be admitted to membership in the Organization,

- 1. Declares that in its view the Mongolian People's Republic is a peace-loving State within the meaning of Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations, that it is able and willing to carry out the obligations of the Charter, and that it should, in consequence, be admitted to membership in the United Nations;
- 2. Declares that in its view the Islamic Republic of Mauritania is a peace-loving State within the meaning of Article 4 of the Charter, that it is able and willing to carry out the obligations of the Charter, and that it should, in consequence, be admitted to membership in the United Nations:
- 3. Requests the Security Council to take note of this decision of the General Assembly in regard to the candidature of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania.

989th plenary meeting, 19 April 1961.

1603 (XV). The situation in Angola

The General Assembly,

Taking note of the recent disturbances and conflicts in Angola resulting in loss of life of the inhabitants, the continuance of which is likely to endanger the maintenance of international peace and security,

Viewing with concern the growing restiveness of dependent peoples throughout the world for self-determination and independence,

Aware that failure to act speedily, effectively and in time for ameliorating the disabilities of the African

^{*} See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 20, document A/4656.

peoples of Angola is likely to endanger international peace and security,

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, by which the General Assembly declared without dissent that "the subjection of peoples to alien subjugation, domination and exploitation constitutes a denial of fundamental human rights, is contrary to the Charter of the United Nations and is an impediment to the promotion of world peace and co-operation" and asked for immediate steps to be taken "to transfer all powers to the peoples of those territories, without any conditions or reservations, in accordance with their freely expressed will and desire, without any distinction as to race, creed or colour, in order to enable them to enjoy complete independence and freedom",

Recalling further its resolutions 1541 (XV) and 1542 (XV) of 15 December 1960,

1. Calls upon the Government of Portugal to consider urgently the introduction of measures and reforms in Angola for the purpose of the implementation of

General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV), with due respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms and in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations;

2. Decides to appoint a sub-committee consisting of five members to be appointed by the President of the General Assembly and instructs this sub-committee to examine the statements made before the Assembly concerning Angola, to receive further statements and documents, to conduct such inquiries as it may deem necessary and to report to the Assembly as soon as possible.

992nd plenary meeting. 20 April 1961.

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The President of the General Assembly, in pursuance of the above resolution, appointed the members of the sub-committee established under the terms of paragraph 2 of that resolution. The sub-committee is composed as follows: Bolivia, Da-

HOMEY, FEDERATION OF MALAYA, FINLAND and SUDAN.

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Appointment of the members of the Committee on a United Nations Capital Development Fund

(Item 29(b))

At the 968th plenary meeting on 27 March 1961, the President of the General Assembly, in accordance with Assembly resolution 1521 (XV) of 15 December 1960, appointed the members of the Committee on a United Nations Capital Development Fund established under the terms of paragraph 2 of this resolution.

The Committee is composed as follows: Argentina, Brazil, Burma, Canada, Chile, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Sudan, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Yugoslavia.

Question of the composition of the Trusteeship Council (Item 84)

At its 979th plenary meeting on 7 April 1961, the General Assembly decided to retain, for the year 1961, the existing membership of the Trusteeship Council.

Appointment of the members of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds

(Item 55)

At its 995th plenary meeting on 21 April 1961, the President of the General Assembly, in accordance with Assembly resolution 1556 B (XV) of 18 December 1960, appointed the members of the Negotiating Committee for Extra-Budgetary Funds to serve until the close of the sixteenth session.

The Committee is composed as follows: Brazil, Canada, France, Ghana, Ireland, Norway, Pakistan, Senegal, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and United States of America.

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