

ance that may be made by the Government of Togoland, and that the Secretary-General, the Special Fund, the Technical Assistance Board and the specialized agencies will give urgent and sympathetic consideration to these requests.

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5 December 1959.*

**1418 (XIV). Date of the independence of the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the terms of article 24 of the Trusteeship Agreement with respect to the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration (hereinafter referred to as Somalia) which provides that the Agreement shall cease to be in force ten years after the date of the approval of the Trusteeship Agreement by the General Assembly, at the conclusion of which the Territory shall become an independent sovereign State,

*Recalling* its resolution 442 (V) of 2 December 1950, by which it approved the Trusteeship Agreement,

*Having considered* the information submitted by the Administering Authority<sup>20</sup> to the effect that the Government of Somalia has conveyed the wish expressed by the Legislative Assembly that the Trusteeship Agreement be terminated as soon as possible so that the Trust Territory may achieve independence at a date earlier than 2 December 1960, as well as the statement of the representative of the Italian Government that the Administering Authority is prepared to support this wish,

*Having heard* the statements made by the Chairman of the United Nations Advisory Council for Somalia,

*Having heard* the views of the petitioners,

*Noting* the wish expressed by the Government of Somalia that, as soon as possible after the date of attainment of its independence, Somalia should be admitted to membership in the United Nations, and noting further that the Government of Italy has expressed its readiness to sponsor the application that will be made by the Government of Somalia to be admitted to membership in the United Nations,

1. *Takes note* of the statements made by the representative of Italy and the representative of the Government of Somalia that the preparations for independence will be completed by 1 July 1960 and that independence will be proclaimed on that date;

2. *Congratulates* the Government of Italy, as Administering Authority, and the Government and the people of Somalia on taking steps in order to attain the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship System in advance of 2 December 1960;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* for the aid and advice provided by the United Nations Advisory Council for Somalia to the Administering Authority and also to the Government and the people of Somalia in their progress towards independence;

4. *Expresses its confidence* that the recommendations and observations of the Trusteeship Council, which have been accepted by the Administering Authority and by the Government of Somalia, concerning the broadening of the composition of the Political Committee and the Constituent Assembly, a popular confirmation of

the constitution now under preparation through a referendum, and a modification of the existing electoral law will be implemented before the date on which the Trusteeship Agreement is terminated, and that the Administering Authority will furnish a report on the implementation of these recommendations to the Trusteeship Council at its twenty-sixth session;

5. *Resolves accordingly*, in agreement with the Administering Authority, that on 1 July 1960, when Somalia shall become independent, the Trusteeship Agreement approved by the General Assembly on 2 December 1950 shall cease to be in force, the basic objectives of trusteeship having been attained;

6. *Recommends* that, upon the attainment of independence, Somalia shall be admitted to membership in the United Nations in accordance with Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations.

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**1419 (XIV). Plans of political reforms for the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having taken note* of the statement of the Administering Authority<sup>21</sup> concerning the political reforms envisaged for the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi under Belgian administration,

*Having taken note* of the petitions and communications dealing with the recent outbreak of violence in the Territory,<sup>22</sup>

*Having taken note also* of the statement of the Administering Authority on the incidents leading to the outbreak of violence which have resulted in the sending of troops to the Territory,

*Having heard* the views of the petitioners,

1. *Draws the attention* of the Trusteeship Council to the statements of the petitioners on the Trust Territory of Ruanda-Urundi;

2. *Requests* the Trusteeship Council to consider in detail the plans of political reforms envisaged for the Territory by the Administering Authority and to include the Council's observations and recommendations on the plans in its report to the General Assembly at its fifteenth session, taking into account the provisions of Assembly resolution 1413 (XIV) on the attainment of self-government or independence by Trust Territories;

3. *Further requests* the Trusteeship Council to dispatch its 1960 visiting mission to Trust Territories in East Africa early in 1960 so as to make it possible for the mission to report to the Council, at its twenty-sixth session, on the conditions and causes of the recent disturbances in the Territory.

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**1461 (XIV). Progress achieved by the Non-Self-Governing Territories in pursuance of Chapter XI of the Charter**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 932 (X) of 8 November 1955, in which it expressed the opinion that an examination

<sup>21</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fourteenth Session, Fourth Committee, 947th meeting.*

<sup>22</sup> T/PET.3/95, T/PET.3/96 and Add.1, T/PET.3/97-99; T/COM.3/L.32.

<sup>20</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fourteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 13, document A/4262.*