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INTRODUCTION

The Trusteeship Council is assigned under the Charter of the United Nations to supervise the administration of Trust Territories which are placed under the International Trusteeship System. The Council meets annually and holds special sessions when required.

The Index to Proceedings of the Trusteeship Council is a guide to the documentation and proceedings of the Trusteeship Council. This issue covers the fifty-eighth regular session as well as the twenty-first special session.

The twenty-first special session of the Trusteeship Council was held at the request of the United States, in order to consider the dispatch of a visiting mission to observe the current conditions in Palau, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

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ARRANGEMENT OF THE INDEX

The Index to each session is arranged as follows:

Sessional information, listing officers and providing information on the rules of procedure and on the republication of the resolutions and decisions;

Check-list of meetings, listing the meetings for the session and the dates they were held;

Agenda, listing items considered by and brought before the Council together with the subject headings under which these items are listed in the subject index;

Subject index, providing topical access to Trusteeship Council documentation arranged alphabetically by agenda subjects and listing documents submitted under each agenda item, meetings at which the items were considered and the action taken on each item;

Index to speeches, providing access to speeches that were made before the Trusteeship Council. The index is subdivided into three sections: corporate names/countries, speakers and subjects;

List of documents, listing documents arranged by symbol.

DOCUMENTATION OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

Meeting records of the Council are issued as verbatim records in provisional form only with corrigenda provided as appropriate to cover substantive corrections submitted by delegations. They may be identified by their symbol (T/PV.-), followed by an ordinal number corresponding to that of the meeting (e.g., T/PV.1685).

HOW TO OBTAIN DOCUMENTS

Printed documentation of the sessions of the Trusteeship Council may be obtained or purchased from authorized sales agents by providing the following information:

Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Fifty-eighth session:

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Sessional Fascicle ... for documents republished in the Annexes (also includes text of agenda, list of delegations and check-list of documents).
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**ABBREVIATIONS**

Add. | Addendum, addenda  
Corr. | Corrigendum, corrigenda  
No. | Number  
Rev. | Revision  
sess. | session  
Suppl. | Supplement  
TCOR | Trusteeship Council Official Records  
UN | United Nations  
United Kingdom | United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  
United States | United States of America  
USSR | Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
FIFTY-EIGHTH REGULAR SESSION
SESSIONAL INFORMATION

The fifty-eighth session of the Trusteeship Council was held at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The session was declared open on Friday, 3 May 1991 by the Temporary President, Thomas Richardson (United Kingdom). The session was suspended on 14 May 1991 and was resumed and declared closed on 19 Dec. 1991.

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OFFICERS

President: Thomas Richardson (United Kingdom) elected at the 1683rd meeting.
Vice President: Jean Felix-Paganon (France) elected at the 1683rd meeting.
Secretary: Wilfrid de Souza.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

The rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, as amended up to and during the twenty-ninth session, T/Rev. 6 (Sales No. 62.1.23) were in effect during the fifty-eighth session.

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS

All unnumbered decisions adopted during the fifty-eight session are collected, together with the resolution and decisions of the fifty-seventh session, and the twentieth and twenty-first special sessions, in document T/1953 (to be issued).

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2. Report of the Secretary-General on credentials.
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3. Election of the President and the Vice-President.
   See UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL (58TH SESS. : 1991)--OFFICERS

4. Examination of the annual report of the Administering Authority for the year ended 30 September 1990: Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.
   See PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY)--REPORTS (1990)

5. Examination of petitions.
   See PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY)--COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

6. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories: report of the Secretary-General.
   See PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY)--FELLOWSHIPS

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   See UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL--UN. COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

   See RACIAL DISCRIMINATION--INTERNATIONAL DECADES (1983-1992)

10. Attainment of self-government or independence by the Trust Territories and the situation in Trust Territories with regard to the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.
    See PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY) QUESTION

11. Cooperation 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.
    See UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL--UN. SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF 24

    See UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL--REPORTS (1991)
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PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY)--COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS (AGENDA ITEM 5)

General documents
T/INF/39 Written communications and petitions received by the Trusteeship Council.

Hearings requested
T/PET.10/753 Petition from members of Otu A Belud requesting a hearing.
T/PET.10/754 Petition from Felice D. Gaer, Executive Director, International League for Human Rights, requesting a hearing.
T/PET.10/755 Petition from Ibedul Yutaka M. Gibbons, Paramount Chief of Palau, requesting a hearing.
T/PET.10/756 Petition from Francisco Ngiraliamesang, Special Assistant to Paramount Chief Ibedul, requesting a hearing.
T/PET.10/757 Petition from John O. Ngiraked, Paramount Chief, Acting Roklai and member of the Council of Chiefs of Palau, requesting a hearing.
T/PET.10/758 Petition from Peter de Krassel, Legal Counsel to Koror State Government and to Paramount Chief Ibedul, requesting a hearing.

Hearings granted

At the 1686th meeting, the Council took note of the communications numbered 1-11 contained in document T/INF/39. The Council drew the attention of petitioners to the observations made during its 58th session by representatives of the Administering Authority and members of the Council regarding petitions 11-17.

PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY)--FELLOWSHIPS (AGENDA ITEM 6)

Reports
T/1957 Report on offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Trust Territories for the period 15 May 1990-1 May 1991 / Secretary-General.

Discussion in plenary

At the 1686th meeting, the Council decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General in T/1957.

PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY)--PUBLIC INFORMATION (AGENDA ITEM 7)

Reports

Discussion in plenary

At the 1686th meeting, the Council decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General in T/1956.

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General documents

Discussion in plenary

PACIFIC ISLANDS (TRUST TERRITORY) QUESTION (AGENDA ITEM 10)

General documents
T/1959 Letter, 12 Sept. 1991, from the Acting Chairman 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 transmitting text of resolution on the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands adopted by the Committee at its 1393rd meeting, 14 Aug.

General documents
T/1960 Letter, 21 Oct. 1991, from the United States requesting that a special session of the Trusteeship Council be convened to consider the prompt dispatch of a visiting Mission to Palau to facilitate a better understanding of economic and social conditions there.

Discussion in plenary

At the 1686th meeting, the Council decided to consider agenda items 10 and 11 together.

At the 1686th meeting, the Council decided to draw the attention of the Security Council to the conclusions and recommendations it adopted at its 58th session concerning the attainment of self-government or independence by the Trust Territory, as well as to the statements made on this question.

**Discussion in plenary**


At the 1666th meeting, the Council decided to consider agenda items 6 and 9 together.

**T/PV.1687** (9 May 1991).

At the 1687th meeting, the Council decided to take note of the statements made on agenda items 8 and 9 and to conclude consideration of them.

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL—REPORTS (1991) (AGENDA ITEM 12)

**Reports**


**Discussion in plenary**


At the 1666th meeting, the Council decided to appoint France and the United Kingdom as members of a drafting committee to prepare draft recommendations and conclusions to be included in the report of the Trusteeship Council to the Security Council.

**T/PV.1688** (14 May 1991).

At the 1688th meeting, the Council adopted without vote the draft conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Drafting Committee on conditions in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (*T/L.1278*) and decided that they would constitute the 2nd part of the report to the Security Council and that the 1st part of the report will contain an overview of deliberations.


At the 1689th meeting, the draft report of the 58th session of the Trusteeship Council to the Security Council was adopted without vote.

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL—UN. COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION (AGENDA ITEM 8)

**Discussion in plenary**


At the 1666th meeting, the Council decided to consider agenda items 6 and 9 together.

**T/PV.1687** (9 May 1991).

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL—UN. SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF 24 (AGENDA ITEM 11)

**Discussion in plenary**


At the 1666th meeting, the Council decided to consider agenda items 10 and 11 together.

**T/PV.1687** (9 May 1991).
Discussion in plenary
At the 1683rd meeting, the Council decided to defer consideration of the item to a future meeting since the Secretary-General had still not received the credentials of all members.
At the 1685th meeting, the Council decided to take note of the Secretary-General's report on credentials in T/1958.

Discussion in plenary
At the 1689th meeting, the 58th session of the Trusteeship Council was resumed.

Discussion in plenary
At the 1688th meeting, the President declared the session suspended with a view to meeting at a resumed session at a later date to consider the draft report of the Council to the Security Council.
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SESSIONAL INFORMATION

The twenty-first special session of the Trusteeship Council was held at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The session was declared open on Thursday, 19 December 1991 by the President, Thomas Richardson (United Kingdom), and was declared closed on the same day.

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OFFICERS

President: Thomas Richardson (United Kingdom)
Vice President: Jean Felix-Paganon (France)
Secretary: Wilfrid de Souza

RULES OF PROCEDURE

The rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, as amended up to and during the twenty-ninth session, T/Rev.6 (Sales No. 62.1.23) were in effect during the twenty-first special session.

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS

Resolution 2194 (S-XXI) along with all decisions adopted during the twenty-first special session are collected, together with the resolution and decisions of the fifty-seventh session and the twentieth special session as well as the decisions of the fifty-eighth session, in document T/1953 (to be issued).

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4. Letter dated 21 Oct. 1991, from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (T/1960), containing a request for a special session of the Trusteeship Council to consider the dispatch of a visiting mission to Palau to facilitate a better understanding of economic and social conditions in the Trust Territory.
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Discussion in plenary
At the 1690th meeting, the Council decided to adopt, without change, the agenda of the 21st special session.

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL (21ST SPECIAL SESS. : 1991)--CLOSING

Discussion in plenary
At the 1690th meeting, the 21st special session of the Trusteeship Council was declared closed by the President, Thomas Richardson (United Kingdom).

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL (21ST SPECIAL SESS. : 1991)--OPENING

Discussion in plenary
At the 1690th meeting the 21st special session of the Trusteeship Council was declared open by the President, Thomas Richardson (United Kingdom).

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL (21ST SPECIAL SESS. : 1991)--REPORTS

Discussion in plenary
At the 1690th meeting, the Council decided to authorize the Secretariat, in consultation with the President and members of the Council, to prepare a report on the work of the 21st special session and to include it in the next annual report on the activities during the 59th regular session.

UN. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL (21ST SPECIAL SESS. : 1991)--REPRESENTATIVES' CREDENTIALS (AGENDA ITEM 3)

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