SECOND INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR THE ERADICATION OF COLONIALISM

Pacific Regional Seminar on the implementation of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism: priorities for the remainder of the Decade

Bandung, Indonesia
14 to 16 May 2008

AGENDA

1. Role of the Special Committee in facilitating the decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories within the framework of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism:
   (a) Priority areas for the remainder of the Decade;
   (b) Strengthening cooperation with administering Powers;
   (c) Participation of the people of Non-Self-Governing Territories.

2. Perspectives of the Special Committee, administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on priorities for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism:
   (a) In the Pacific region, in particular Tokelau;
   (b) In the Caribbean region;
   (c) In other Non-Self-Governing Territories.

3. Follow-up to the 2007 Caribbean regional seminar:
   (a) Perspective of the Special Committee;
   (b) Perspective of administering Powers;
   (c) Perspective of Non-Self-Governing Territories;
   (d) Views of experts.


5. Way forward: recommendations on advancing the decolonization process for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism.
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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Tuesday, 13 May
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Registration of participants at the Savoy Homann Bidakara Hotel

Wednesday, 14 May
8:00 – 8:45 a.m.
Continuation of registration at the Savoy Homann Bidakara Hotel

Opening session
(at historical Gedung Merdeka across the street from the Savoy Homann Bidakara Hotel)

9:00 – 9:45 a.m.
Opening of the seminar by the Chairman of the Special Committee, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations, H.E. Ambassador R. M. Marty M. Natalegawa

Statement of welcome by H.E. Mr. Imron Cotan, Secretary-General of the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia

Statement of welcome by Mr. H. Subarna, SH, MM, Assistant for the Governor of West Java for Social Welfare, Republic of Indonesia

Message from the Secretary-General (Ms. Freda Mackay, Chief, Decolonization Unit, Department of Political Affairs, UN Secretariat)

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.
Break, followed by a walk from the historical “Gedung Merdeka” to the Savoy Homann Bidakara Hotel
First meeting

Wednesday, 14 May
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Organization of the seminar:
- Adoption of the Agenda
- Appointment of officers
- Drafting Group
- Programme of work

10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Role of the Special Committee in facilitating the decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories within the framework of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism
- H.E. Ambassador R. M. Marty M. Natalegawa, Chairman of the Special Committee
- Prof. Dr. Anak Agung Banyu Perwita (Parahyangan Catholic University, Bandung, Indonesia)

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Discussion

11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Perspectives of the Special Committee, administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on priorities for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (Pacific region)
- Ms. Hope Cristobal, "Fuegsan Fumalao'an" (Chamorro for Strength of Women, Guam)

11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Perspectives of the Special Committee, administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on priorities for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (Caribbean region); Follow-up to the 2007 Caribbean regional seminar
- Dr. Kedrick Pickering, expert (British Virgin Islands)
- Mr. Tregenza A. Roach (The United States Virgin Islands Constitutional Convention)

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Discussion

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Lunch break
Second meeting

3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Role of the United Nations system in providing developmental assistance to Non-Self-Governing Territories (discussion)

7:00 p.m.
Welcoming dinner hosted by the Government of Indonesia

Third meeting

Thursday, 15 May
10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Perspectives of the Special Committee, administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on priorities for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (other Non-Self-Governing Territories):
- Mr. Kamal Fadel, Frente Popular para la Liberación de Sagúa el-Hamra y del Río de Oro (Frente POLISARIO)

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Discussion

11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Perspectives of the Special Committee, administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on priorities for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (Tokelau):
- Mr. Peter Fa'afiu (on behalf of Tokelau)
- Mr. Joe Ballard (New Zealand)
- Prof. Tony Angelo, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Discussion

12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Way forward: recommendations on advancing the decolonization process for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (discussion)

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Lunch break

Drafting Group meeting

1 Member States are encouraged to inscribe on a list of speakers with the Secretariat.
2 Drafting Group will start work immediately upon adjournment of the third meeting.
Fourth meeting

Friday, 16 May
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
General exchange of views on the draft report of the seminar and its conclusions and recommendations

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Adoption of resolution on expression of appreciation to the Government and people of Indonesia

11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Closing remarks by the Chairman

1:30 p.m.
Farewell lunch hosted by the Chairman