

NOW, THEREFORE, the General Assembly of the United Nations hereby resolves to approve the following terms of trusteeship for Western Samoa, in substitution for the terms of the aforesaid mandate² :

Article I

The territory to which this Agreement applies is the territory known as Western Samoa comprising the islands of Upolu, Savai'i, Manono, and Apolima, together with all other islands and rocks adjacent thereto.

Article II

The Government of New Zealand are hereby designated as the administering authority for Western Samoa.

Article III

The administering authority shall have full powers of administration, legislation and jurisdiction over the territory, subject to the provisions of this agreement, and of the Charter of the United Nations³, and may apply to the territory, subject to any modifications which the administering authority may consider desirable, such of the laws of New Zealand as may seem appropriate to local conditions and requirements.

Article IV

The administering authority undertakes to administer Western Samoa in such a manner as to achieve in that territory the basic objectives of the international trusteeship system, as expressed in Article 76 of the Charter of the United Nations, namely :

“(a) To further international peace and security ;

“(b) To promote the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the trust territories, and their progressive development towards self-government or independence as may be appropriate to the particular circumstances of each territory and its peoples and the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned, and as may be provided by the terms of each trusteeship agreement ;

“(c) To encourage respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion, and to encourage recognition of the inter-dependence of the peoples of the world ; and

“(d) To ensure equal treatment in social, economic, and commercial matters for all members of the United Nations and their nationals, and also equal treatment for the latter in the administration of justice, without prejudice to the attainment of the foregoing objectives and subject to the provisions of Article 80.”

² The original draft contained the following additional words after “United Nations” in this clause : “in accordance with the terms of the said Charter having satisfied itself that the provisions of Article 79 of the Charter have been complied with.” These words were deleted at the same time as those mentioned in footnote (1).

³ The original Article III contained the following words after “agreement” : “as an integral part of New Zealand.” This phrase was deleted and replaced by the phrase “and of the Charter of the United Nations.”