

commended that the Trusteeship Council accelerate its examination of petitions and that visiting missions to Trust Territories report fully steps taken toward realization of the objectives of the Charter.

Administrative arrangements whereby United Nations Trust Territories are united to some extent with adjacent colonies of the Administering Authorities were discussed and a recommendation to the Trusteeship Council that it complete its investigation of these administrative unions was adopted by the Assembly.

The Special Committee on information from non-self-governing territories (other than Trust Territories) met prior to the Assembly. The most contentious issues discussed during the Assembly concerned the future of the Special Committee and responsibility for deciding whether any given territory is or is not a self-governing territory, and whether or not the Administering Member is obliged to transmit information on it. The Assembly voted to prolong the life of the Special Committee until 1952, and to establish a set of principles to guide Members in enumerating the non self-governing territories for which information should be transmitted. Other resolutions adopted related to educational, social and economic advancement, technical assistance and publication of information on non self-governing territories.

For the third successive year the Trusteeship Committee considered the problem consequent upon the Union of South Africa's failure to conclude a Trusteeship Agreement for South West Africa, a former League of Nations Mandate. The Union of South Africa had notified the Trusteeship Council in July 1949 that it would not transmit information on this territory and that a form of closer association between South West Africa and the Union had been effected. In an effort to clarify a difficult situation, which was made more acute by this decision of the Government of South Africa, the Trusteeship Committee (and subsequently the General Assembly) adopted a resolution requesting an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice on the legal status of South West Africa.

CANADIAN AID TO GREECE

It is interesting to report the receipt, from the Canadian Ambassador to Greece, of some eighty communications from the Greek people thanking the Canadian people for \$4,500,000 worth of relief materials sent to Greece after UNRRA ceased to function.

Many of these messages were from local administrative bodies in towns and villages; some came from disabled veterans' organizations, and still others from orphanages and hospitals. The sentiment expressed in one telegram, that "the sincere recognition by you of our cause strengthens our faith in the ideals of all mankind, despite the distress into which we have been thrown owing to the communist tactics of devastation from which our country has suffered" appears in varying language in several others. The broader implications of simple helpfulness could scarcely be made more apparent.