Seventy-fifth session
Agenda item 61
Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of
Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly
on 10 December 2020

[on the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee) (A/75/420, para. 27)]

75/106. Question of Western Sahara

The General Assembly,

Having considered in depth the question of Western Sahara,

Reaffirming the inalienable right of all peoples to self-determination and
independence, in accordance with the principles set forth in the Charter of the United
Nations and General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960
containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries
and Peoples,

Recognizing that all available options for self-determination of the Territories
are valid as long as they are in accordance with the freely expressed wishes of the
people concerned and in conformity with the clearly defined principles contained in
General Assembly resolutions 1514 (XV) and 1541 (XV) of 15 December 1960 and
other resolutions of the Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 74/97 of 13 December 2019,

Recalling also all resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council
on the question of Western Sahara,

Recalling further Security Council resolutions 658 (1990) of 27 June 1990,

Underlining the adoption of Security Council resolutions 1754 (2007) on
Expressing its satisfaction that the parties met on 18 and 19 June 2007, on 10 and 11 August 2007, from 7 to 9 January 2008 and from 16 to 18 March 2008 under the auspices of the Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General for Western Sahara and in the presence of the neighbouring countries and that they have agreed to continue the negotiations,

Also expressing its satisfaction at the holding of nine informal meetings convened by the Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General on 9 and 10 August 2009 in Dürnstein, Austria, on 10 and 11 February 2010 in Westchester County, New York, United States of America, from 7 to 10 November 2010, from 16 to 18 December 2010 and from 21 to 23 January 2011, all on Long Island, New York, from 7 to 9 March 2011 in Mellieha, Malta, from 5 to 7 June 2011 and from 19 to 21 July 2011, both on Long Island, and from 11 to 13 March 2012 in Manhasset, New York, to prepare for the fifth round of negotiations,

Calling upon all the parties and the States of the region to cooperate fully with the Secretary-General and his Personal Envoy and with each other,

Reaffirming the responsibility of the United Nations towards the people of Western Sahara,

 Welcoming, in this regard, the efforts of the Secretary-General and his Personal Envoy in search of a mutually acceptable political solution to the dispute, which will provide for the self-determination of the people of Western Sahara,

 Having examined the report 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 for 2020,¹

 Having also examined the report of the Secretary-General,²

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General;


² A/75/367.
4. *Also welcomes* the ongoing negotiations between the parties held on 18 and 19 June 2007, on 10 and 11 August 2007, from 7 to 9 January 2008 and from 16 to 18 March 2008 in the presence of the neighbouring countries and under the auspices of the United Nations;

5. *Calls upon* the parties to cooperate with the International Committee of the Red Cross, and calls upon them to abide by their obligations under international humanitarian law;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to continue to consider the situation in Western Sahara and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session;

7. *Invites* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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