

Determining the Obligations of Former Colonial Powers in Supporting the Development of Previously Colonised States

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General Assembly 4,

- P1. Reaffirming the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples*
 - P2. Recalling the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which affirms the right of all countries to self-determination and to actively pursue their own economic, social, and cultural development.*
 - P3. Recognising that colonialism ruined the economic capabilities of many countries, disrupted governments and institutions, and created a need for dependency upon their colonisers, which still hinders the development of states which were previously colonised*
 - P4. Noting with concern that the governing of international financial institutions continues to lack sufficient acknowledgement of formerly colonised states, with inequality continuing in their decision making power*
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- O1. Affirms that former colonisers bear a responsibility to support the development of states which they previously colonised, as in the principle of historical accountability;*
 - O2. Calls upon the most powerful former colonisers to provide debt relief to countries which they themselves colonised, providing at least 0.1% of their annual GDP to the cause, recognising that even now lending practices create unsustainable debt burdens for countries that were never provided the opportunity to succeed economically;*
 - O3. Urges the transfer of technology and knowledge to developing nations, particularly in agriculture, healthcare, and renewable energy;*
 - O4. Requests the return of cultural property to their native lands, stripped from them in the era of colonialism;*

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