



Committee: Special Political and Decolonization Committee (SPECPOL)

Nation: Republic of Uganda

Agenda Item: Reassessing the Political Status of Disputed and Non-Self-Governing Territories

The Republic of Uganda is aware that Territories of Special Concern whose political status needs reassessment are those because the issue is a challenge to the principles of peace and stability in the international fraternity; it is recognized as a nation which has faced the repercussions of colonialism into the issue of territories, bringing in effects on the political development of the nation.

Indeed, many disputed and non-self-governing territories continue to be threatened by the lack of self-rule, foreign interference, and political instability, which compromises the basic rights of their people. SPECPOL is an important ingredient in dealing with these issues in that it advocates for peaceful decolonization and adherence to international law. External interference, conflict, and instability not only affect these disputed territories and regions but also reverberate internationally and even globally.

The Republic of Uganda is of the view that the doctrine of self-determination can best be applied within the framework provided for in the United Nations Charter and with due recognition for territorial integrity and state sovereignty. Uganda supports the position taken by the African Union that where there is a territorial conflict, it must be addressed through dialogue and consent.

To effectively address this issue, Uganda calls upon the United Nations to strengthen the framework that fosters inclusive political dialogue among the parties concerned, enhances fact-finding operations, and provides technical assistance to the territories in their progress toward self-government. Besides, Uganda calls for cooperation by regional organizations. The solutions must be crafted in light of regional stability.

Conclusion Finally, it can be deduced that the Republic of Uganda is committed to constructive engagement with the international community for peaceful resolutions of the disputed and non-self-governing territories. Uganda firmly believes that this problem of disputed and non-self-governing territories can be brought to an end through multilateral cooperation and with the guidance of international principles.