

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

August 10, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SEERMAN ADAMS  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Acceptance of Resignation of the United States  
Representative on the ~~United Nations Committee~~ *xw.c.*  
on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories.

The Fourth Meeting of the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories will convene in New York on August 18, 1953. Mr. Benjamin Gerig, the present United States Representative on the Committee, was appointed by the President on July 18, 1950. Mr. Gerig has tendered his resignation, which is attached, and it is recommended that it be accepted. A suggested letter of acceptance is attached for this purpose.

Pursuant to the United Nations Participation Act, and under authority of the President, and in view of the President's desire not to approve personally appointments of this nature, it is the Department's intention to appoint the Honorable Mason Sears, *x* United States Representative on the Trusteeship Council, as United States Representative on the Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories. In addition, Mr. Benjamin Gerig, Director, Office of Dependent Area Affairs, Department of State, would be appointed Alternate United States Representative. Finally, the Department proposes to appoint Dr. Antonio Fernos Isern, Resident Commissioner, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as an Alternate United States Representative for the Fourth Meeting only.

Enclosures:

Letter of Resignation.  
Suggested Letter of  
Acceptance.

*Walter Blunt*

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My dear Mr. President:

I herewith tender my resignation as United States Representative on the United Nations Committee on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories which Committee is charged with the responsibility for examining the reports submitted by the Administering Authorities under Article 73(e) of the United Nations Charter.

It has been a pleasure to have served my Government in this capacity during the past four years and I, of course, stand ready at all times to assist in any appropriate manner in the continuing work of this Committee.

Faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Benjamin Gerig". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

The President,

The White House.