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On the 1st of January 2022, the International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism was established by the United Nations General Assembly. This resolution, which was adopted by consensus, aims to accelerate the process of decolonization and promote the self-determination of peoples. It also emphasizes the importance of addressing the historical legacies of colonialism and its impact on the development of countries around the world.

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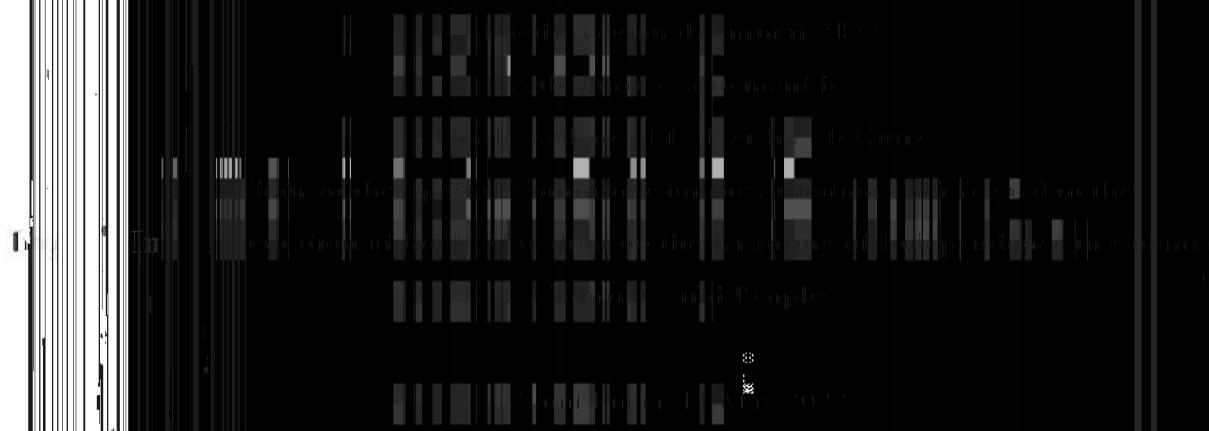
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**Special
Feature:
Grammatical
Aspect Part I**

**Special
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grammatical aspect is a major component of Chinese grammar and has been studied by scholars for many years. In this special feature, we invite scholars from different fields to discuss the grammatical aspect from various perspectives, including its definition, classification, and applications.



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Ladies &

delegates, and scholars from various fields have gathered to discuss the latest developments in the field of Chinese grammar.

The discussion has been lively and informative, with many interesting insights and new findings presented.

We hope that this special feature will contribute to the further development of Chinese grammar research.

**COVID-19
and Gram-
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COVID-19 has had a significant impact on the grammatical aspect of Chinese language, especially those which have been affected by the pandemic.

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Historically, Tokelau has had a unique grammatical aspect, which is characterized by the absence of tense and aspect markers. This aspect has been greatly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, as Tokelauans have had to adapt to a new way of life, which has led to changes in their speech patterns and grammatical structures.

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the United Nations in addressing the critical imbalance between health, trade, finance and economic development.²

The General Assembly also underlined the importance of multilateralism within the United Nations development system and with respect to the implementation of relevant General Assembly positions, including resolution 70/1 of 2 September 2015 on the “2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” and resolution 73/216 of 2 December 2018 on climate-related reduction.³

Further, both the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council (ESOC) have underlined the special challenges facing the Territories and planning for and implementing sustainable development and respect United Nations’ environmental and economic organizations, to strengthen existing mechanisms of support and to stimulate appropriate programmes of assistance to the remaining Non-Self-Governing Territories, in accordance with the principles of self-determination and in order to accelerate progress in the economic and social sectors of those territories.⁴

The crisis brought about by the pandemic has reminded the General Assembly of the efforts made for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. This is also the case for the Non-Self-Governing Territories.

It has become more appropriate than ever to reflect on the steps that are important to the Territories in the Homeland of the Willing, within which the UNDP’s “Shared Purpose in Economic Policy” contributes in the field of economic development.⁵

The former has consistently recognised the current magnitude of many of the challenges faced by some Territories and underlined the effort must be made through the involvement of relevant stakeholders, and in particular the Government, the continued strengthening of administrative capacity, good governance and economic sustainability of the Territories.⁶

The Special Committee has been given a clear mandate by the General Assembly to continue to examine the political, economic and social situation in the Non-Self-Governing Territories.⁷

In this regard, the broad participation of the Territories, particularly central to the objectives of the committee, will allow me to hear first-hand information about the challenges and solutions found to face the extraordinary times the pandemic has brought about in the territories and the world at large.

Executive Summary

Definitions and delimitation

² General Assembly resolution 70/1, preambular paragraph 7 and 11.

³ General Assembly resolution 73/216, preambular paragraph 1 and para. 11; General Assembly resolution 73/217, preambular paragraph 1 and para. 1.

⁴ General Assembly resolution 73/217, preambular paragraph 11.

⁵ For example, see, for instance, and according resolution of the 2014 General Assembly, annex I, para. 15 (c).

⁶ For example, General Assembly resolution 73/217, para. 3 (c).

Ladies and gentlemen,

The discussions will have during this meeting will be also an opportunity to reflect on how the cooperation and互信 can be improved in the framework of the exchange of information and development of mutual trust between the two sides by case basis.

The experience gained and lessons learned from the pandemic provide the basis for promoting innovation and resilience, and paving the way to future resilience and strength through the introduction of new and effective ways of dealing with challenges.

All relevant bodies, including the administrative bodies, the United Nations and its specialized agencies, international and regional organizations have contributed to today's meeting.

We must remember that the recovery is not a linear and sustainable process.

Once again, I would like to thank you all for your valuable contribution to the success of this meeting.

Thank you.

⁷ For example, General Assembly resolution 60/211.

⁸ General Assembly resolution 60/210, preambular paragraph 1.