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AGENDA ITEM 16

Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council

- 1. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): The first item on the agenda of the meeting is the election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council to take the place of the members whose terms of office expire on 31 December 1963. The retiring members are Philippines, Ghana and Venezuela, which are therefore not eligible for re-election. In addition to the five permanent members of the Security Council, Brazil, Norway and Morocco, having been elected for a period of two years, will be members of that organ during 1964, so that their names cannot appear on the ballots either.
- 2. The elections will be held by secret ballot, and there will be no nominations. I ask Members of the Assembly to use only the ballot papers which will be distributed, and to write on each ballot the names of the three Member States for which they wish to vote: these must not include the five permanent members, the three retiring members or the three which are already non-permanent members of the Council. Ballots containing more than three names will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dashtseren (Mongolia) and Mr. Lynch-Shyllon (Sierra Leone) acted as tellers:

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	109
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	109
Abstentions:	1
Number of members voting:	108
Required majority:	72
Number of votes obtained:	
Ivory Coast	92
Bolivia	86
Czechoslovakia	63
Malaysia	56
Indonesia	1

Lebanon				•	•	•			•				•	•	•	1	
Nigeria.					•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		1	

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Bolivia and Ivory Coast were elected non-permanent members of the Security Council.

3. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): There is still one seat to be filled, and, in accordance with rule 96 of the rules of procedure, we shall now proceed to the first restricted ballot. The ballot will be restricted to the two Members which obtained the largest number of votes after the two which have been elected, that is, it will be restricted to Czechoslovakia and Malaysia. The ballot papers are now being distributed, and I must state again that any ballot containing the name of a country other than Czechoslovakia or Malaysia will be declared invalid, as the ballot is restricted to those two countries.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dashtseren (Mongolia) and Mr. Lynch-Shyllon (Sierra Leone) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	109
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	109
Abstentions:	2
Number of members voting:	107
Required majority:	72
Number of votes obtained:	
Czechoslovakia	55
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4. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): As neither of the two countries has obtained the necessary two-thirds majority, the Assembly will proceed to the second restricted ballot. As before, votes may be cast only for Czechoslovakia or Malaysia, and ballots containing the names of other countries will be invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dashtseren (Mongolia) and Mr. Lynch-Shyllon (Sierra Leone) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	109
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	109
Abstentions:	2
Number of members voting:	107
Required majority:	72
Number of votes obtained:	
Czechoslovakia	55
Malaysia	52

5. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): As neither of the two countries has obtained the required majority, the Assembly, in accordance with rule 96 of the rules of procedure, will proceed to the third restricted ballot. As before, votes may be cast only for Czechoslovakia or Malaysia, and ballots on which other names appear will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dashtseren (Mongolia) and Mr. Lynch-Shyllon (Sierra Leone) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	110
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	110
Abstentions:	2
Number of members voting:	108
Required majority:	72
Number of votes obtained:	
Czechoslovakia	54
Malaysia	. 54

6. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): As the result of this restricted ballot was inconclusive, we must, in accordance with the rules of procedure, proceed to three unrestricted ballots. Consequently, in the next vote, which will be the first in this series of unrestricted ballots, the name of any Member may be written on the ballot paper, except those of States which are already members of the Security Council and those which are retiring members and are not eligible for re-election.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dashtseren (Mongolia) and Mr. Lynch-Shyllon (Sierra Leone) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	110
Invalid ballots:	1
Number of valid ballots:	109
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	109
Required majority:	73
Number of votes obtained:	
Czechoslovakia	56
Malaysia	51
Cambodia	1
Lebanon	1
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- 7. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): As this first unrestricted ballot has likewise produced no appreciable change, I now proposed to the Assembly that, if there are no objections, we should suspend the elections for the remaining member of the Security Council until the afternoon of 25 October; we shall then hold the two further unrestricted ballots and continue the procedure. We should therefore now be able to proceed to the election of the members of the Economic and Social Council.
- 8. If there are no objections, I shall take it that the Assembly agrees to that procedure.

It was so decided.

AGENDA ITEM 17

Election of six members of the Economic and Social Council

9. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): The Assembly will now proceed to the election of six mem-

bers of the Economic and Social Council in order to fill the seats on the Council which will become vacant on 31 December 1963, when six of the present members will retire. The retiring members, which will vacate their seats on 31 December are El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Italy, Jordan and Uruguay, and they are eligible for immediate re-election. I should like to remind Members of the Assembly that after 1 January 1964 the following States will still be members of the Economic and Social Council: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, India, Japan, Senegal, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Yugoslavia. No votes can therefore be cast for those states at this election.

10. I would ask representatives to write on the ballots which are now being distributed the names of six eligible Member States; ballots containing more than six names will be invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Dashtseren (Mongolia) and Mr. Lynch-Shyllon (Sierra Leone) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot,

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Number of ballot papers: Invalid ballots: Number of valid ballots:	110 0 110
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	110
Required majority:	74
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Number of votes obtained:	
Algeria	95
France	95
Chile	94
Iraq	91
Luvamhouse	
Luxembourg	85
Ecuador	84
Guinea	24
Tunisia	20
Mexico	8
Canada	2
Italy.	2
Liberia	2
Ethiopia	- 1
Finland:	1
Iran	1
Lebanon	_
Delrigton	1
Pakistan	1
Peru	1
Philippines	1
Poland	1
Somalia	1
United Arab Republic	1
Uruguay	1
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Having obtained the required majority, Algeria, Chile, Ecuador, France, Iraq and Luxembourg were elected members of the Economic and Social Council.

The meeting rose at 1.10 p.m.