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Held at Headquarters, New York, on Friday, 24 September 1982, at 3.30 p.m.

President:

Mr. HOLLAI

(Hungary)

later:

Mr. SHERIFIS

(Cyprus)

(Vice-President)

later:

Sir Egerton RICHARDSON (Vice-President)

(Jamaica)

- Resumption of the seventh emergency special session
- Organization of work
- Question of Palestine: draft resolution /5/ (continued)
- Temporary adjournment of the seventh emergency special session

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The PRESIDENT: I shall now call on those delegations that wish to explain their vote after the vote.

Mr. GONZALEZ (Chile) (interpretation from Spanish): In voting in favour of the draft resolution, Chile, as on previous occasions in similar instances, wishes to enter an express reservation on operative paragraph 7 because we feel that this infringes the prerogatives which lie solely with the Security Council.

Mr. VRAALSEN (Norway): The Norwegian Government and people have reacted strongly with shock and revulsion against the report of the ruthless massacre of defenceless and innocent Palestinian civilians, men, women and children in refugee camps in Beirut.

The reaction of my delegation and our feelings have this evening been expressed through our positive vote on the draft resolution just adopted. I have, however, to state for the record that my delegation has certain reservations concerning the second preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 6 and 9.

Mrs. GUELMAN (Uruguay) (interpretation from Spanish): The delegation of Uruguay voted in favour of the draft resolution submitted to the General Assembly, in accordance with the humanitarian tradition of our country.

First of all, this is an expression of our strong condemnation of this atrocity. It also expresses our full support for the operation of the international machinery, in accordance with the Charter, as a means of strengthening our Organization, with a view to the proper fulfilment of its legal and political responsibilities.

I simply wish to enter a reservation on the seventh preambular paragraph and operative paragraph 7, which touch upon matters which are the prerogative of the Security Council. My country hopes that the grave problems relating to that part of the world, including the fate of the people of Palestine, will find a peaceful solution in accordance with the law, bearing in mind resolutions 242 (1967) and 338 (1973) of the Security Council.

My delegation reaffirms its resolute support for the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Lebanon.