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President: Mr. Nasrollah ENTEZAM (Iran).

Election of three non-permanent members of the  
Security Council (*continued*)

[Agenda item 14]

1. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): I suggest that we begin the meeting by holding a ninth ballot in the hope that another attempt will enable us to elect the third non-permanent member of the Security Council.

2. If this vote is not decisive, we shall proceed to the elections to the Economic and Social Council and to the Trusteeship Council and thereafter revert to the election of the third non-permanent member of the Security Council.

3. I draw your attention to the fact that new ballot papers have just been distributed. Instead of the ballot papers which were distributed this morning, the new ballot papers bearing the stamp of the 291st meeting should be used.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

*At the invitation of the President, Faris El-Khoury Bey (Syria) and Mr. Roberts (Union of South Africa) acted as tellers.*

Number of ballot papers:	58
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	58
Abstentions:	0
Number of valid votes cast:	58
Required majority:	39

Number of votes obtained:

Turkey .....	33
Lebanon .....	25

4. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): Neither of the two countries has obtained the required two-thirds majority.

Election of six members of the Economic and  
Social Council

[Agenda item 15]

5. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): Before proceeding to the vote, I wish to point out that the retiring members of the Economic and Social Council are eligible for re-election.

6. Any Member State is eligible, with the exception of the twelve members represented in the Council whose term of office does not expire at the end of this year, namely, Belgium, Canada, Chile, China, Czechoslovakia, France, India, Iran, Mexico, Pakistan, Peru and the United States of America.

7. The voting will be by secret ballot. Any ballot paper which bears the names of more than six countries will be considered invalid.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

*At the invitation of the President, Faris El-Khoury Bey (Syria) and Mr. Roberts (Union of South Africa) acted as tellers.*

Number of ballot papers:	60
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	60
Abstentions:	0
Number of valid votes cast:	60
Required majority:	40

Number of votes obtained:

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	52
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.....	49
Uruguay .....	44
Philippines .....	43
Poland .....	41
Sweden .....	40

Egypt .....	39
Bolivia .....	25
Afghanistan .....	4
Indonesia .....	2
Australia .....	1
Brazil .....	1
Burma .....	1
Denmark .....	1
Israel .....	1
Paraguay .....	1

*The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Uruguay, the Philippines, Poland and Sweden, having obtained the required two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, were elected members of the Economic and Social Council.*

### Election of two members of the Trusteeship Council

[Agenda item 16]

8. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): We shall now proceed to the election of two members of the Trusteeship Council.

9. The two retiring members are the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. Retiring members are eligible for re-election.

10. The present members of the Trusteeship Council are: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, China, France, Iraq, New Zealand, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

11. Any ballot paper which bears the names of more than two countries will be considered invalid. The ballot papers are now being distributed and we shall proceed to the vote.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

*At the invitation of the President, Faris El-Khoury Bey (Syria) and Mr. Roberts (Union of South Africa) acted as tellers.*

Number of ballot papers:	60
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	60
Abstentions:	0
Number of valid votes cast:	60
Required majority:	40

Number of votes obtained:	
Dominican Republic .....	54
Thailand .....	38
Burma .....	21
Guatemala .....	2
Cuba .....	1
Mexico .....	1
Nicaragua .....	1
Philippines .....	1

*The Dominican Republic, having obtained the required two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, was elected a member of the Trusteeship Council.*

12. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): We shall now proceed to a further vote for the election of a second member of the Trusteeship Council.

13. I would call attention to the fact that, according to the rules of procedure, ballot papers should bear the name of one of the two countries which obtained the greatest number of votes in the preceding ballot, namely, Thailand or Burma.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	60
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	60
Abstentions:	0
Number of valid votes cast:	60
Required majority:	40

*Number of votes obtained:*

Thailand .....	36
Burma .....	24

14. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): Since neither candidate has obtained the required majority, we shall proceed to a third vote.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	60
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	60
Abstentions:	0
Number of valid votes cast:	60
Required majority:	40

*Number of votes obtained:*

Thailand .....	40
Burma .....	20

*Thailand, having obtained the required two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, was elected a member of the Trusteeship Council.*

### Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council (*continued*)

[Agenda item 14]

15. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): We shall now proceed to a tenth vote for the election of a third non-permanent member of the Security Council.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

*At the invitation of the President, Faris El-Khoury Bey (Syria) and Mr. Roberts (Union of South Africa) acted as tellers.*

Number of ballot papers:	60
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	60
Abstentions:	0
Number of valid votes cast:	60
Required majority:	40

*Number of votes obtained:*

Turkey .....	36
Lebanon .....	24

16. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): Since neither candidate has obtained the required majority, we shall proceed to another vote.

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	60
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	60

<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid votes cast:</i>	60
<i>Required majority:</i>	40

*Number of votes obtained:*

Turkey .....	35
Lebanon .....	25

17. The PRESIDENT (*translated from French*): Since neither candidate has obtained the required majority, we shall proceed to a twelfth vote.

*Mr. González (Venezuela) took the chair.*

*A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	60
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	60
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid votes cast:</i>	60
<i>Required majority:</i>	40

*Number of votes obtained:*

Turkey .....	36
Lebanon .....	24

18. The PRESIDENT (*translated from Spanish*): Neither candidate has obtained the required two-thirds majority.

19. Mr. SANTA CRUZ (Chile) (*translated from Spanish*): It is obvious from the results of the last ballots that, in the present circumstances, that number of votes will be maintained. I think that the only way to resolve the difficulty is to defer the voting and resume it at a later date so that delegations will have time and opportunity to change their votes and settle the matter.

20. Therefore, in accordance with rule 75 of the rules of procedure, I formally propose that the vote be deferred.

21. The PRESIDENT (*translated from Spanish*): The suggestion of the representative of Chile to adjourn this meeting and continue the voting at a later meeting is before the Assembly. If there is no objection, I shall consider that the proposal of the representative of Chile is adopted.

*It was so decided.*

*The meeting rose at 4.40 p.m.*