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## 2083rd MEETING

Held in New York on Wednesday, 16 August 1978, at 10.30 a.m.

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*President:* Mr. CHEN Chu (China).

*Present:* The representatives of the following States: Bolivia, Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, France, Gabon, Germany, Federal Republic of, India, Kuwait, Mauritius, Nigeria, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

### Provisional agenda (S/Agenda/2083)

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Admission of new Members:  
Application of Solomon Islands for admission to membership in the United Nations (S/12801)

*The meeting was called to order at 11.10 a.m.*

### Expression of thanks to the retiring President

1. The PRESIDENT (*interpretation from Chinese*): I wish, first of all, to express to the representative of Canada, Mr. Barton, on behalf of all the members of the Council, our appreciation for the services he performed during the month of July and the effective way he conducted the proceedings of the Council that month. I request Mr. Lapointe to convey to Ambassador Barton the gratitude expressed here today for all his efforts.

### Adoption of the agenda

*The agenda was adopted.*

### Admission of new Members:

Application of Solomon Islands for admission to membership in the United Nations (S/12801)

2. The PRESIDENT (*interpretation from Chinese*): On 7 August 1978, the Secretary-General, acting in accordance

with rule 59 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, circulated in document S/12801 the application of Solomon Islands for admission to membership in the United Nations.

3. Under the provisions of rule 59, unless the Council decides otherwise, the application shall be referred by the President of the Council to the Committee on the Admission of New Members. Accordingly, unless I hear a proposal to the contrary, I shall refer the application of Solomon Islands to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for examination and report.

4. The last sentence of rule 59 provides that the Committee shall report its conclusions to the Council not less than 35 days in advance of a regular session of the General Assembly. Since it is now impossible for the Committee to comply with that deadline, I propose that the Council should agree to waive the deadline on this occasion.

5. As there has been no other proposal, I take it that the Council agrees to follow the procedures I have just outlined.

*It was so decided.*

6. The PRESIDENT (*interpretation from Chinese*): I would suggest that the members of the Committee on the Admission of New Members should meet immediately following the adjournment of this meeting in order to examine the application of Solomon Islands and to prepare the Committee's report to the Council. I would further request the Committee to submit its report to the Council at the next meeting which I intend to schedule for 10.30 a.m. tomorrow.

*The meeting rose at 11.15 a.m.*

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