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<i>President:</i>	Mr. Yañez-Barnuevo	(Spain)
<i>Members:</i>	Argentina	Mr. Ricardes
	Brazil	Mr. Valle
	China	Ms. Yang Xiuping
	Czech Republic	Mr. Rovensky
	Djibouti	Mr. Olhaye
	France	Mr. Ladsous
	New Zealand	Mr. van Bohemen
	Nigeria	Mr. Egunsola
	Oman	Mr. Al-Harthi
	Pakistan	Mr. Niaz
	Russian Federation	Mr. Sidorov
	Rwanda	Mr. Bakuramutsa
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Plumbly
	United States of America	Mr. Inderfurth

Agenda

The situation in Angola

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II)
(S/1994/1069)

The meeting was called to order at 7.05 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

The situation in Angola

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II) (S/1994/1069)

The President (*interpretation from Spanish*): I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of Angola in which he requests that he be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In accordance with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in conformity with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

I welcome the distinguished Minister for External Relations of Angola and invite him to take a place at the Council table.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. de Moura (Angola) took a place at the Council table.

The President (*interpretation from Spanish*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II), document S/1994/1069.

Members of the Council also have before them document S/1994/1110, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

I should like to draw the attention of members of the Council to document S/1994/1026, which contains the text of a letter dated 2 September 1994 from the Permanent

Representative of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to vote on the draft resolution before it. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution (S/1994/1110) to the vote.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Argentina, Brazil, China, Czech Republic, Djibouti, France, New Zealand, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President (*interpretation from Spanish*): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 945 (1994).

His Excellency Mr. Venancio de Moura, Minister of External Relations of Angola, has asked to speak. I invite him to make his statement to the Council.

Mr. de Moura (Angola) (*interpretation from French*): I am asked to express myself in an official language of the United Nations. Hence I shall try my hand at French, and I crave your customary indulgence if I make any mistakes in speaking a language I do not often use.

I do not have a long statement to make. I am here more or less by chance because we came to take part in the work of the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly. Since the Council decided to take up the question of Angola at this time, this prompted me to ask you, Mr. President, to accept our presence here, and we are very grateful to you for giving us this opportunity to say how much we appreciate the Council's efforts to resolve the situation in Angola.

The Council has once again extended the mandate of the United Nations Verification Mission in Angola (UNAVEM II). We shall shortly witness the further efforts of the Council, perhaps with a view to proceeding from UNAVEM II to UNAVEM III by increasing the number of United Nations personnel in Angola. We would also like to place on record our hopes that the Lusaka talks will shortly be successful.

I should like once again to assure the members of the Council of the readiness of the Angolan Government to do its utmost to ensure that the Lusaka talks result very soon in a lasting solution leading to the establishment of peace in Angola.

This is also a good time to express our thanks to the Security Council for all its endeavours aimed at bringing Angolans to national reconciliation. We would like to state that, despite the delays that have occurred on the part of our brothers in UNITA, they have, on 5 September last, finally accepted the package proposed through mediation, in accordance with which UNITA elements would participate in the central, provincial and local governments on a basis which is well known to the Council. There may perhaps be some outstanding issues on the Lusaka agenda, but if political will prevails on both sides, particularly on the UNITA side, I think we shall soon be successful.

Once again, I wish to express my delegation's readiness to work in Lusaka to ensure that the talks are

successfully completed and that we may shortly proceed to implementation, which will require all of us, and the international community in particular, to provide the material support, human resources and all that is necessary to ensure that lasting peace is restored to Angola.

That is the brief statement I wished to make, and I thank you, Mr. President, for your kindness in allowing me to speak.

The President (interpretation from Spanish): There are no further speakers. The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on the agenda.

The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 7.20 p.m.