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<i>President:</i>	Mr. Motoc	(Romania)
<i>Members:</i>	Algeria	Mr. Benmehidi
	Angola	Mr. Gaspar Martins
	Benin	Mr. Adechi
	Brazil	Mr. Sardenberg
	Chile	Mr. Muñoz
	China	Mr. Zhang Yishan
	France	Mrs. D'Achon
	Germany	Mr. Gansen
	Pakistan	Mr. Mahmood
	Philippines	Mr. Baja
	Russian Federation	Mr. Smirnov
	Spain	Mr. Yáñez-Barnuevo
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Davie
	United States of America	Mr. Fendrick

Agenda

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

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The meeting was called to order at 12.20 p.m.

Expression of thanks to the retiring President

The President: As this is the first meeting of the Security Council for the month of July, I should like to take this opportunity to pay tribute, on behalf of the Council, to His Excellency Mr. Lauro Baja, Jr., Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations, for his service as President for the month of June. I am sure I speak for all members of the Council in expressing deep appreciation to Ambassador Baja for the great diplomatic skill with which he conducted the Council's business last month.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

The President: I should like to inform the Council that I have received letters from the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Italy, in which they request to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite those representatives to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance 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.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Kusljugić (Bosnia and Herzegovina) took a seat at the Council table; Mr. Spatafora (Italy) took the seat reserved for him at the side of the Council Chamber.

The President: 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 document S/2004/522, which contains the text of a letter dated 29 June 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Ireland. Members of the Council also have before them document S/2004/545, which contains the text of a draft resolution submitted by France, Germany, Italy, Romania, the Russian Federation, Spain, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution, as orally revised in its provisional form in the course of prior consultations, before it. If I hear no objection, I shall now put the draft resolution to the vote.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Algeria, Angola, Benin, Brazil, Chile, China, France, Germany, Pakistan, Philippines, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President: There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution, as orally revised in its provisional form, has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1551 (2004).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 12.30 p.m.