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AGENDA ITEM 16

Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council

1. The PRESIDENT: The first item on the agenda for this afternoon is the election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council to replace the five non-permanent members whose term of office expires on 31 December 1969. The five outgoing members are: Algeria, Hungary, Pakistan, Paraguay and Senegal. Those five countries cannot be re-elected.

2. Apart from the five permanent members, the Security Council will in 1970 include Colombia, Finland, Nepal, Spain and Zambia, which were elected at the twenty-third session for a two-year period. Therefore, the names of those five States also will not appear on the ballot papers.

3. Of the five non-permanent members which will remain in office in 1970, two are from Africa and Asia, one from Latin America and two from Western Europe and other States. Therefore, in accordance with paragraph 3 of resolution 1991 A (XVIII), the non-permanent members to be elected should be made up as follows: three from African and Asian States, one from Eastern Europe and one from Latin America. The ballot papers take that pattern into account. It is the President's understanding that of the three seats to which African and Asian States have to be elected, two should go to African States and one to an Asian State. The ballot papers will now be distributed.

4. In accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, the election will be held by secret ballot and there will be no nominations. I request members of the Assembly to use only the ballot papers being distributed and to write on them the names of the five Member States for which they wish to vote. As I have indicated, the ballot papers should not include the names of the five permanent members, the five outgoing non-permanent members or the five countries that are already non-permanent members for 1970. Any

ballot paper containing more than five names will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. McGough (Argentina) and Mr. Miller (Australia) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	126
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	126
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	126
<i>Required majority:</i>	84

Number of votes obtained:

Poland	121
Burundi	118
Sierra Leone	117
Nicaragua	103
Syria	101
Cuba	6
Peru	3
Togo	3
Lebanon	2
Tunisia	2
Botswana	1
Brazil	1
Haiti	1
Iraq	1
Israel	1
Japan	1
Jordan	1
Kenya	1
Mali	1
Mongolia	1
Panama	1
United Arab Republic	1
United Republic of Tanzania	1
Yugoslavia	1

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Burundi, Nicaragua, Poland, Sierra Leone and Syria were elected non-permanent members of the Security Council for a period of two years beginning on 1 January 1970.

AGENDA ITEM 17

Election of nine members of the Economic and Social Council

5. The PRESIDENT: The next item on the agenda is the election of nine members of the Economic and Social Council to replace the nine members whose term of office expires on 31 December 1969. The nine outgoing members

are: Belgium, France, Guatemala, Kuwait, Libya, Mexico, Sierra Leone, Turkey and the United Republic of Tanzania. These nine countries are eligible for immediate re-election.

6. I should like to remind members of the Assembly that after 1 January 1970 the following States will still be members of the Economic and Social Council: Argentina, Bulgaria, Chad, Congo (Brazzaville), India, Indonesia, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Norway, Pakistan, Sudan, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Upper Volta, Uruguay and Yugoslavia. Therefore, those eighteen States should not appear on the ballot papers.

7. In accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, the election will be held by secret ballot. Ballot papers taking into account the pattern set out in paragraph 3 of resolution 1991 B (XVIII) will now be distributed. I request members of the Assembly to use only the ballot papers that are being distributed and to write on them the names of the nine Member States for which they wish to vote. Ballot papers containing more than nine names will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Todorov (Bulgaria) and Mr. Bakoto (Cameroon) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	125
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	125
<i>Abstentions:</i>	0
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	125
<i>Required majority:</i>	84

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Peru	123
Brazil	121
Ghana	117
Kenya	117
Tunisia	117
France	115
Italy	98
Greece	89
Ceylon	73
Lebanon	59
Netherlands	59
United Arab Republic	4
United Republic of Tanzania	2
Belgium	1
Cameroon	1
Chile	1
Luxembourg	1
Madagascar	1
Nigeria	1
Senegal	1

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Brazil, France, Ghana, Greece, Italy, Kenya, Peru and Tunisia were elected members of the Economic and Social Council for a period of three years beginning on 1 January 1970.

8. The PRESIDENT: One seat remains to be filled on the Economic and Social Council. We shall therefore have a

restricted ballot in order to elect one member. This ballot will be restricted to the two countries which received the greatest number of votes in the last vote, after those which were elected, namely, Ceylon and Lebanon. Ballots which bear names other than those of Ceylon or Lebanon will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Todorov (Bulgaria) and Mr. Bakoto (Cameroon) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	120
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	120
<i>Abstentions:</i>	1
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	119
<i>Required majority:</i>	80

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Ceylon	65
Lebanon	54

9. The PRESIDENT: Since neither candidate has obtained the required two-thirds majority, the General Assembly will now proceed to the second restricted ballot. As before, only Ceylon and Lebanon are eligible and papers containing the names of other States will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Todorov (Bulgaria) and Mr. Bakoto (Cameroon) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	117
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	117
<i>Abstentions:</i>	1
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	116
<i>Required majority:</i>	78

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Ceylon	65
Lebanon	51

10. The PRESIDENT: Since neither candidate has obtained the required two-thirds majority, the General Assembly will now proceed to the third restricted ballot. As before, only Ceylon and Lebanon are eligible and papers containing the names of other States will be declared invalid.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Todorov (Bulgaria) and Mr. Bakoto (Cameroon) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	119
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	119
<i>Abstentions:</i>	1
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	118
<i>Required majority:</i>	79

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Ceylon	70
Lebanon	48

11. The PRESIDENT: As the result of the third restricted ballot has also been inconclusive, we shall, in accordance with the rules of procedure, proceed to an unrestricted ballot.

<i>Number of members voting:</i>	108
<i>Required majority:</i>	72

12. I give the floor to the representative of Lebanon on a point of order.

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Ceylon	104
Lebanon	3
Nepal	1

13. Mr. GHORRA (Lebanon): The Lebanese delegation has in the recent weeks, whether in its contacts with the various delegations or within the Asian Group, given every indication of its goodwill towards friendly Ceylon, and we never meant this to be a contest between us and Ceylon. Therefore, in order to make your task easier, Madam President, and the task of the delegations easier, I am happy to declare that the Lebanese delegation withdraws the candidacy of Lebanon for the Economic and Social Council, and I hope that all delegations will vote for Ceylon unanimously. I wish to take this opportunity of thanking all the delegations which have given us their support.

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Ceylon was elected a member of the Economic and Social Council for a period of three years beginning on 1 January 1970.

14. The PRESIDENT: We shall now proceed to an unrestricted ballot, bearing in mind that Lebanon has withdrawn its candidature.

15. The PRESIDENT: The nine members which have been elected to the Economic and Social Council are Brazil, Ceylon, France, Ghana, Greece, Italy, Kenya, Peru and Tunisia.

16. I now call upon the representative of Ceylon on a point of order.

17. Mr. AMERASINGHE (Ceylon): Madam President, I crave your indulgence in taking the floor for just a few minutes for one purpose, and one purpose alone, and that is to express my sincere thanks to the Lebanese delegation for its magnanimous gesture in curtailing our ordeal. It is a matter of regret to me that I should have entered into a contest with such a friendly country as Lebanon. Victory is sweet, but to defeat a friend is not so sweet. I should like to thank all those delegations which have given us their support and enabled us to take the place in the Economic and Social Council.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Todorov (Bulgaria), and Mr. Bakoto (Cameroon) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	116
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	1
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	115
<i>Abstentions:</i>	7

The meeting rose at 7 p.m.