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President : Mr. Luis PADILLA NERVO (Mexico).

In the absence of the President, Sir Gladwyn Jebb (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Vice-President, presided.

Installation of the Assistant Secretary-General in charge of the Department of Social Affairs

[Agenda item 64]

At the invitation of the President, the Vice-Presidents took their places on the rostrum.

The Secretary-General accompanied Mr. Guillaume Georges Picot, Assistant Secretary-General in charge of the Department of Social Affairs, to the rostrum, and introduced him to the General Assembly.

1. THE SECRETARY-GENERAL (*translated from French*): I have the pleasure to present to the General Assembly Mr. Guillaume Georges-Picot whom I have appointed to the important post of Assistant Secretary-General in charge of the Department of Social Affairs.

At the request of the President, Mr. Georges-Picot took the oath in accordance with regulations 2 and 3 of the provisional staff regulations.

Election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council

[Agenda item 13]

2. The PRESIDENT : The next item on our agenda, the second item, is the election of three non-permanent members of the Security Council. As you know, the present election is for the purpose of electing three members to replace Ecuador, India and Yugoslavia which retire from membership of the Council on 31 December of the present year. Since, according to Article 23, paragraph 2, of the Charter, the retiring members of the Council are not eligible for immediate election, it consequently follows that in the present election all members of the United Nations are eligible except those which at the present time are members of the Council. The present membership is as follows: Brazil, China, Ecuador, France, India, Netherlands, Turkey, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics,

the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Yugoslavia.

3. Under rule 92 of the rules of procedure, the election is held by secret ballot and no nominations may be made.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Duncan (Panama) and Mr. Grafström (Sweden) acted as tellers.

<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:

Chile	57
Pakistan.....	55
Greece	30
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic.....	26
Philippines	3
Australia.....	1
Argentina	1
Colombia.....	1
El Salvador.....	1

Chile and Pakistan, having obtained the required two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, were elected non-permanent members of the Security Council.

4. The PRESIDENT : We shall now proceed to another ballot for the purpose of electing, if we can, the third candidate. In this case your votes will be limited to Greece or to the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, and consequently only one name will be inscribed on the ballot paper.

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>	1
<i>Number of valid votes cast:</i>	59
<i>Required majority:</i>	40

Number of votes obtained:

Greece	30
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	29

5. The PRESIDENT: In view of the result of the voting it will clearly be necessary to proceed to another ballot.

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>	1
<i>Number of valid votes cast:</i>	59
<i>Required majority:</i>	40

Number of votes obtained:

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	30
Greece	29

6. The PRESIDENT: It will be necessary to proceed to a fourth ballot. I would therefore ask the tellers again to come to the ballot box.

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>	1
<i>Number of valid votes cast:</i>	59
<i>Required majority:</i>	40

Number of votes obtained:

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	30
Greece	29

7. The PRESIDENT: At this point I propose to read out rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, which reads as follows:

“When two or more elective places are to be filled at one time under the same conditions, those candidates obtaining in the first ballot the majority required shall be elected. If the number of candidates obtaining such majority is less than the number of persons or Members to be elected, there shall be additional ballots to fill the remaining places, the voting being restricted to the candidates obtaining the greatest number of votes in the previous ballot, to a number not more than twice the places remaining to be filled; provided that, after the third inconclusive ballot, votes may be cast for any eligible person or Member. If three such unrestricted ballots are inconclusive, the next three ballots shall be restricted to the candidates who obtained the greatest number of votes in the third of the unrestricted ballots, to a number not more than twice the places remaining to be filled, and the following three ballots thereafter shall be unrestricted, and so on until all the places have been filled. These provisions shall not prejudice the application of rules 142, 143, 145 and 147.”

8. Of these, only, rules 142 and 143 apply, I think, to the Security Council. Rule 142, as representatives know, reads as follows:

“In the election of non-permanent members of the Security Council, in accordance with Article 23, paragraph 1, of the Charter, due regard shall be specially

paid, in the first instance, to the contribution of Members of the United Nations to the maintenance of international peace and security and to the other purposes of the Organization, and also to equitable geographical distribution.”

9. Rule 143 reads:

“A retiring member of the Security Council shall not be eligible for immediate re-election.”

10. We are, of course, in a deadlock and I propose, unless I hear any objection, to carry out the suggestion made in rule 94 and to have now a ballot which will be unrestricted and in which, therefore, Members may write down the name of any eligible Member they desire.

11. Since I hear no objection we shall proceed to such a ballot.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Duncan (Panama) and Mr. Holmback (Sweden) replacing Mr. Grafström acted as tellers.

<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:

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	32
Greece	24
Philippines	3
El Salvador	1

12. The PRESIDENT: The result is still inconclusive. However, I think that we must be guided by our rules of procedure and have a further unrestricted ballot. It may be then that tendencies will be observable. Unless there is objection, therefore, I would ask the tellers again to come to the ballot box, and we shall proceed with the balloting.

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:

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	31
Greece	25
Philippines	3
El Salvador	1

13. The PRESIDENT: We still remain in a deadlock. In view of the fact that rule 94 provides for three unrestricted ballots, I think that it might perhaps be better, unless I hear an objection, to take a final unrestricted ballot prescribed under rule 94. If that still results in a deadlock or if there is no marked tendency one way or the other, then I suggest for the consideration of delegations that we postpone this election. I am sure that

is what the President would wish if he were here. Therefore, we shall have one more ballot bearing in mind that if it still results in a deadlock or if there are no obvious trends one way or the other the election of the third non-permanent member of the Security Council will be postponed.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Duncan (Panama) and Mr. Grafström (Sweden) 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:

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic.....	33
Greece	24
Philippines	3

14. The PRESIDENT: I am under the orders of the Assembly but it is my opinion that in these circumstances we ought to proceed to one more restricted vote, that is to say, a vote restricted to the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic and Greece. If that is still inconclusive, I shall enquire of the Assembly whether it wishes to postpone the present election or whether it wishes to proceed to further votes; but I hope that there will be no objection in the present circumstances to having one more restricted ballot.

15. Since there is no objection 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
Abstentions:	1
Number of valid votes cast:	59
Required majority:	40

Number of votes obtained:

Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic.....	32
Greece	27

16. The PRESIDENT: The deadlock consequently remains, and I imagine that it will be the general wish of the Assembly, as I suggested a little while ago, that in these circumstances we should postpone the election in order to give us all time for reflection. If I hear no objections, I shall consider that this proposal is generally acceptable.

17. Since there are no objections, we shall proceed to the next item on the agenda.

Election of six members of the Economic and Social Council

[Agenda item 14]

18. The PRESIDENT: The purpose of this election is to fill the vacancies that will occur on 31 December this year when the following members retire from the Economic and Social Council: Belgium, Chile, China, France, India and Peru. Under Article 61, paragraph 2, of the Charter, the retiring members of the Economic and Social Council are eligible for re-election. Therefore the eligible candidates include all Members of the United Nations except those twelve members of the Council whose terms do not expire at the end of this year. Those twelve members are: Canada, Czechoslovakia, Iran, Mexico, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Uruguay.

19. As in the case of previous elections, there will be a secret ballot and no nominations are permitted. On each ballot paper not more than six names may be written.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Duncan (Panama) and Mr. Grafström (Sweden) 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:

Argentina	56
Cuba	53
France	53
China	45
Belgium.....	38
Egypt	35
Australia.....	28
Burma	26
India.....	3
Chile	1
Costa Rica.....	1
Dominican Republic.....	1
Ethiopia.....	1
Liberia.....	1
Norway	1
Thailand	1

Argentina, Cuba, France and China, having obtained the required two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting were elected members of the Economic and Social Council.

20. The PRESIDENT: We shall have to continue balloting this afternoon for the remainder. If that is generally acceptable, I declare the present meeting adjourned.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.