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Chair: Ms. Kremžar (Vice-Chair) (Slovenia)

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In the absence of Mr. Biang (Gabon), Chair, Ms. Kremžar (Slovenia), Vice-Chair, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 11.50 a.m.

Agenda item 5: Election of the officers of the Main Committees

1. **The Chair** said that, in accordance with rules 99 and 103 of the rules of procedure, the meeting had been convened for the purpose of electing the Chair and other members of the Bureau of the Committee for the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly.

2. The nomination of Mr. Mlynár (Slovakia) for the office of Chair had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States. In the absence of further nominations, and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, she would take it that the Committee wished to elect Mr. Mlynár (Slovakia) Chair.

3. *Mr. Mlynár (Slovakia) was elected Chair by acclamation.*

4. **Mr. Mlynár** (Slovakia) said that the intrinsic value of international law and of the rules-based international order should always guide the discussions at various forums at and outside the United Nations. As the primary forum for the consideration of legal questions in the General Assembly, the Sixth Committee played a special role in that regard. The discussions and negotiations in the Committee could lead to tangible results if it continued to work on the basis of consensus. Such an approach ensured that the results achieved were supported by all States, which was the basic prerequisite for the broad acceptance of and adherence to international law. The Committee would continue to contribute tangibly to the development of international law while preserving the spirit of consensus.

5. **The Chair**, recalling the provisions of General Assembly resolution [72/313](#), said that the nominations of Mr. Jaiteh (Gambia), Mr. Arrocha Olabuenaga (Mexico) and Ms. Anderberg (Sweden) for the three offices of Vice-Chair had been endorsed by the Group of African States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States, respectively, and that the nomination of Mr. Al-Thani (Qatar) for the office of Rapporteur had been endorsed by the Group of Asia-Pacific States.

6. *Mr. Jaiteh (Gambia), Mr. Arrocha Olabuenaga (Mexico) and Ms. Anderberg (Sweden) were elected Vice-Chairs, and Mr. Al-Thani (Qatar) was elected Rapporteur, by acclamation.*

The meeting rose at 12 p.m.