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TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION

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**SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE, 691st
MEETING**



Tuesday, 22 September 1970,
at 3.25 p.m.

NEW YORK

Chairman: Mr. Abdul Samad GHAUS
(Afghanistan).

Election of the Vice-Chairman

1. Mr. VINCI (Italy) nominated Mr. Luis Hierro Gambardella (Uruguay).

2. Mr. KA (Senegal) Mr. BENITES (Ecuador), and Mr. AVKSENTYEV (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic) on behalf of the socialist countries, seconded the nomination.

Mr. Hierro Gambardella (Uruguay) was elected Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

Election of the Rapporteur

3. Mr. OGOLA (Uganda) nominated Mr. Mohammed Mahjoubi (Morocco).

4. Mr. VINCI (Italy), Mr. AKATANI (Japan), Mr. de SOUZA e SILVA (Brazil), and Mr. SPÄČIL (Czechoslovakia) on behalf of the socialist countries, seconded the nomination.

Mr. Mahjoubi (Morocco) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.

Organization of the Committee's work (A/SPC/137)

5. The CHAIRMAN said that, since the forthcoming ceremonies commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations would take up a considerable amount of the Special Political Committee's time, it was particularly important for representatives to adhere scrupulously to the

meetings time-table and to do all they could to expedite the Committee's work. With regard to the records of the Committee's proceedings, the General Committee had recommended in its report to the General Assembly (A/8100) that the present practice according to which the debates of the Special Political Committee could be transcribed from sound recordings upon request should be maintained for the twenty-fifth session.

6. The Committee had before it in connexion with the organization of its work a letter from the President of the General Assembly (A/SPC/137) concerning the four items of the agenda which had been allocated to the Committee. None of the basic documentation on those items had yet been circulated, but documents for three of the four items should be available at the beginning of the following week.

7. The Committee might wish to begin its work with the consideration of item 33 (Effects of atomic radiation: report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation), and then to consider item 34 (The policies of *apartheid* of the Government of South Africa: report of the Special Committee on the Policies of *Apartheid* of the Government of the Republic of South Africa), since the two reports concerned would be available shortly. The Committee could defer a decision on the order of consideration of the other two items, namely, item 35 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Commissioner-General) and item 36 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations).

It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 4.05 p.m.