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Chair: Ms. Mesquita Borges (Timor-Leste)

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The meeting was called to order at 5.35 p.m.

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

1. **The Chair** said that, in accordance with rule 99 (a) of the rules of procedure, the meeting had been convened for the purpose of electing the Chair and other members of the Bureau for the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

2. The nomination of Mr. Omar Hilale (Morocco) for the office of Chair had been endorsed by the Group of African 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. Hilale (Morocco) Chair.

3. *Mr. Hilale (Morocco) was elected Chair by acclamation.*

4. **Mr. Hilale** (Morocco) said that he looked forward to working closely with delegations in the historic year that would mark the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations and the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the Human Rights Council, and which was also the year in which Member States would focus on the sustainable development goals.

5. **The Chair** said that the nominations of Ms. Kupradze (Georgia), Mr. Mohamed (Guyana) and Mr. Dempsey (Canada) for the three offices of Vice-Chair had been endorsed by the Group of Eastern European States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States, respectively.

6. *Mr. Dempsey (Canada), Ms. Kupradze (Georgia) and Mr. Mohamed (Guyana) were elected Vice-Chairs by acclamation.*

7. **The Chair** said that the nomination of Ms. Li (Singapore) for the office of Rapporteur had been endorsed by the Group of Asia-Pacific States.

8. *Ms. Li (Singapore) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.*

The meeting rose at 5.50 p.m.