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Chairman: Mr. Frederick H. BOLAND (Ireland).

AGENDA ITEM 39

Question of South West Africa (*continued*):

(a) Report of the Good Offices Committee on South West Africa (A/3900, A/C.4/L.531)

CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS (A/C.4/L.531)

1. The CHAIRMAN invited the representative of Chile to introduce his delegation's draft resolution (A/C.4/L.531).

2. Mr. COHEN (Chile) said that the Committee had made a thorough study of the questions raised in the report of the Good Offices Committee on South West Africa (A/3900) and the time had now come to draw up a draft resolution which, taking into account the views expressed during the general debate, would enable it, in co-operation with the Union of South Africa, to continue to seek a suitable way of solving the question

of South West Africa. The most important aspect of the problem was the present and future well-being of the inhabitants of the Territory. It was not yet possible to reach any final conclusions on the best way to achieve that goal, or to foresee how the problem of South West Africa would develop during the years to come. The draft resolution tabled by the Chilean delegation (A/C.4/L.531) was therefore an attempt to set out the general conclusions which the Committee had reached during its discussions and to further the negotiations between the Union of South Africa and the United Nations, represented by the Good Offices Committee, without prejudicing the solution which the inhabitants of the Territory might consider eventually desirable. His delegation regarded its text as a preliminary draft which could be modified and made more acceptable to the majority of the Committee.

3. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) did not consider the text acceptable in its present form. She moved the suspension of the meeting to enable delegations to agree on an amended text.

The meeting was suspended at 11.10 a.m. and resumed at 12.10 p.m.

4. The CHAIRMAN declared that no new text had been submitted and proposed that the Committee should resume consideration of the question at the following meeting.

The meeting rose at 12.15 p.m.