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Chairman: Mr. Luciano JOUBLANC RIVAS
(Mexico).

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308) (*continued*)**

1. Mr. BELL (United States of America) observed that his country had been represented on the Committee on South West Africa since December 1954. He would not therefore comment at length on the substance of the Committee's report (A/2913 and Add.1 and 2). In general he agreed with the observations and conclusions of the report and would support the three draft resolutions in annexes VI,

VII and VIII of document A/2913. He also supported draft resolutions A and B in document A/C.4/308.

2. The United States delegation regretted that the Union of South Africa had taken no part in the Committee's work and had communicated to it no documents concerning South West Africa. That attitude had deprived the Committee of information which would have made its report more valuable. Nevertheless, it was to be hoped that, in view of the care with which the Committee had carried out its work, the Union of South Africa would decide to co-operate with it in the future. He recognized the problems that the Government of the Union of South Africa would face in coming to such a decision, but the international community could not remain indifferent to the fate of the inhabitants of South West Africa, and he felt that by the exercise of patience a solution would be found that would be to the advantage of all concerned and would enable the Union of South Africa and the United Nations to co-operate in promoting the welfare of the peoples of South West Africa.

3. After an exchange of views, the CHAIRMAN proposed that the list of speakers should be closed in the afternoon of Wednesday, 2 November.

It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 3.30 p.m.