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Chairman: Mr. Jiří NOSEK (Czechoslovakia).

Statement by the Chairman

1. The CHAIRMAN thanked the General Assembly for the honour it had done him in electing him as Chairman of the Second Committee. He welcomed the delegation of the Federation of Malaya, which was participating in the Committee's work for the first time.

Election of the Vice-Chairman

2. Mr. JUDD (United States of America) nominated Mr. Hagiwara (Japan).

3. Mr. RAJAPATIRANA (Ceylon) seconded the nomination.

Mr. Hagiwara (Japan) was elected Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

Election of the Rapporteur

4. Mr. RUYGERS (Netherlands)nominated Mr. Hadwen (Canada).

5. Mr. HALIQ (Saudi Arabia) and Sir Alec RANDALL (United Kingdom) supported the nomination.

<u>Mr. Hadwen (Canada) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.</u>

Order of discussion of agenda items (A/C.2/194, <u>A/C.2/L.328</u>)

6. Mr. JUDD (United States of America) noted that at previous sessions the report of the Economic and Social Council (item 12) had been taken as the last item with the result that the Committee had been unable, owing to the pressure of work at the end of the session, to give it adequate attention. In order to avoid a repetition of that situation he proposed that the Committee should consider the report of the Economic and Social Council first and then the remaining items in the following order: the report of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency (item 27), programmes of technical assis-

tance (item 29), and the economic development of under-developed countries (item 28).

7. Mr. SALEM (Argentina) supported the United States representative's proposal.

8. Mr. JUNG (India) also supported the United States proposal as far as items 12 and 27 were concerned. While he would prefer item 28 to be discussed before item 29, he felt that a decision on that issue could be deferred for the time being.

9. Mr. O'NAGHTEN (Cuba) hoped that in view of the very close relation between items 12, 28 and 29 members of the Committee would be able to refer to items 28 and 29 in connexion with the section of the Council's report on the economic development of underdeveloped countries.

10. Mr. HALIQ (Saudi Arabia) noted that the report of the Agent General of the United Nations Reconstruction Agency was not yet ready. In those circumstances item 27 might be taken last. There seemed general agreement that item 12 should be taken first. He would prefer it to be followed by items 28 and 29 in that order.

11. Mr. HASSAN (Sudan) and Mr. BASTIEN (Haiti) supported that proposal.

12. Mr. HILL (Deputy Under-Secretary for Economic and Social Affairs) observed that it was most important that the General Assembly's discussion of item 29 should be completed well before the Technical Assistance Committee convened on 25 November 1957.

13. Mr. JUDD (United States of America) said that, in those circumstances, the report of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency might be discussed last.

14. Mr. HASSAN (Sudan) and Mr. WOULBROUN (Belgium) agreed that in view of the Deputy Under-Secretary's statement item 29 should be taken before item 28.

15. The CHAIRMAN said that if there were no objections the items would be considered in the following order: the report of the Economic and Social Council (item 12); programmes of technical assistance (item 29); economic development of under-developed countries (item 28) and report of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency (item 27).

It was so agreed.

The meeting rose at 11.40 a.m.