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Chairman: Mr. Moraiwid M. TELL (Jordan).

Tribute to the memory of Mr. Víctor Andrés Belaúnde, Chairman of the Peruvian Delegation

1. The CHAIRMAN announced the death of Mr. Víctor Andrés Belaúnde, a former President of the General Assembly and Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations. He was sure that he was speaking for the Committee in expressing sincere condolences to the Peruvian delegation on that sad occurrence. The United Nations had suffered a grievous loss through the death of a great advocate of international peace, who had played an active part in the establishment and the work of the Organization.

2. Mr. Patrick SOLOMON (Trinidad and Tobago), speaking on behalf of his delegation and other Latin American delegations, paid a tribute to the memory of the friend those countries had lost. His death was a loss not only to his own country, but to the United Nations and the world as a whole, in which there were unfortunately few like him. The diplomatic career which Mr. Belaúnde, a signatory of the United Nations Charter, a former Peruvian Minister for Foreign Affairs and President of the General Assembly in 1959, had followed at the United Nations since its establishment had been marked by skill as well as by charm and dignity. With his death, the world had lost a great statesman. The sympathy of his own delegation and that of other Latin American delegations went out to Mr. Belaúnde's family and his country, and to the Peruvian delegation.

3. Mr. PIÑERA (Chile) expressed his deep sorrow at the death of one who could be called a true "partisan" and who, a few hours before his death, had still been fighting for the maintenance of peace. His unshakable faith in the United Nations had been sustained by seemingly eternal youth. His great esteem for Mr. Belaúnde was shared by all those whom he had held dear.

4. He proposed that the Committee should observe one minute's silence in tribute to Mr. Belaúnde's memory before resuming its work.

5. Mr. POLIT (Ecuador) said that he had been privileged to hear Mr. Belaúnde's last statement. He expressed to Mr. Belaúnde's family and to the Peruvian representative the sorrow of his delegation at the loss of an intelligent, gifted and warm-hearted man, who had been universally respected at the United Nations. He hoped that the great tradition of fighting for the right cause which Mr. Belaúnde had left behind would be continued by other equally eminent men.

6. Mr. FERNANDINI (Peru) thanked the members of the Committee for their expressions of sympathy to his country on the loss it had just sustained. His own grief was profound, because Mr. Belaúnde had been a teacher and almost a father to him.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the members of the Committee observed a minute's silence in tribute to the memory of Mr. Víctor Andrés Belaúnde.

AGENDA ITEM 41

Activities in the field of industrial development (continued):

(b) *Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the United Nations Organization for Industrial Development (continued)* (A/6369 and Add.1 and 2, A/6468 and Add.1, A/6473 and Add.1, A/6474 and Add.1, A/6504, A/6531 and Add.1, A/6548, A/C.2/232, A/C.2/L.935, A/C.2/L.948)

7. The CHAIRMAN invited the Committee, in accordance with the procedure proposed by the Lebanese delegation (A/C.2/L.948) and adopted at the previous meeting, to select one of the following cities as the site for the headquarters of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO): Vienna (Austria), New York (United States of America), Paris (France), Athens (Greece), Nairobi (Kenya), Geneva (Switzerland) and Istanbul (Turkey). To be valid, ballot papers should bear the name of only one of those cities or countries.

8. Mr. GALLARDO MORENO (Mexico), speaking on a point of order, said that, as he had already pointed out (1101st meeting), an important factor was still needed for the Committee to make a decision. The Secretary-General's statement of financial implications (A/C.2/L.935) had been drawn up, as stated in paragraph 9, without certain information from Governments which had offered to serve as host to the new organization, and the Mexican delegation wished to know if further information on that matter had been received since the statement had been published.

9. Mr. MALECELA (United Republic of Tanzania) said that he appreciated the Mexican representative's concern, but pointed out that the Chairman had announced that the vote would begin. The only points of order which could be raised under rule 129 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly therefore were those relating to the voting itself.

10. The CHAIRMAN said that the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania was correct and pointed out to the Mexican representative that the sponsors of the draft resolution tabled with the Secretariat, which included Mexico, had agreed that the draft should be discussed after the vote.

11. Mr. GALLARDO MORENO (Mexico) said that he was merely reaffirming a comment he had already made. He would bow to the Chairman's decision, but wished to emphasize that the Committee would be proceeding to a vote without a knowledge of all the factors required to make a choice.

12. The CHAIRMAN said that rule 129 of the rules of procedure was applicable. He would consult the Committee if the Mexican representative challenged his decision.

13. Mr. FRANZI (Italy) said that he wished note to be taken of the fact that the Committee was going to take a decision without adequate consideration of the financial and administrative implications of the offers that had been made.

14. The CHAIRMAN ruled the Italian representative's statement out of order. The Mexican representative had stated his readiness to conform to the Chairman's decision and he therefore suggested that the Committee should proceed to a vote.

It was so decided.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Uggeldahl (Finland) and Mr. Arnautu (Romania) acted as tellers.

A first vote was taken by secret ballot, in accordance with paragraph I of the Lebanese proposal (A/C.2/L.948).

Number of ballot papers:	117
Invalid ballots:	1
Valid ballots:	116

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Paris	30
Nairobi	26
Vienna	24
New York	19
Istanbul	12
Geneva	3
Athens	2

Having obtained the least number of votes, Athens was eliminated.

A second vote was taken by secret ballot, in accordance with paragraph II of the Lebanese proposal (A/C.2/L.948).

Number of ballot papers:	118
Invalid ballots:	0
Valid ballots:	118

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Paris	35

Vienna	31
Nairobi	27
New York	15
Istanbul	8
Geneva	2

Having obtained the least number of votes, Istanbul and Geneva were eliminated.

15. Mr. ROOSEVELT (United States of America), speaking with the Committee's consent on a point of order, said that his delegation withdrew its offer of New York as the permanent headquarters of UNIDO.

16. Mr. PIÑERA (Chile), supported by Mr. DELGADO (Senegal), pointed out that New York and Geneva had been included as possible headquarters for UNIDO by virtue of their status as United Nations Headquarters and European Office, respectively.

17. The CHAIRMAN suggested that the United States representative should withdraw his proposal in order to avoid a long procedural discussion.

18. Mr. ROOSEVELT (United States of America) withdrew his proposal.

A third vote was taken by secret ballot, in accordance with paragraph III of the Lebanese proposal (A/C.2/L.948).

Number of ballot papers:	119
Invalid ballots:	0
Valid ballots:	119

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Vienna	48
Paris	36
Nairobi	33
New York	2

Having obtained the least number of votes, Nairobi and New York were eliminated.

A fourth vote was taken by secret ballot, in accordance with paragraph V of the Lebanese proposal (A/C.2/L.948).

Number of ballot papers:	119
Invalid ballots:	0
Valid ballots:	119
Absolute majority required:	62

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Vienna	72
Paris	47

Having obtained the required majority, Vienna was chosen as the site to be recommended to the General Assembly for the permanent headquarters of UNIDO.

19. The CHAIRMAN again thanked all the Governments which had offered to serve as host to UNIDO.

20. Mr. VIAUD (France) extended his delegation's congratulations to the Austrian delegation on its outstanding success.

21. Mr. WALDHEIM (Austria) thanked the members of the Committee for the regard they had just shown for his country and assured them that his Government would do everything it could to enable UNIDO to do its work in the best possible conditions.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.