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President: Mr. Alfonso PATIÑO (Colombia).

Present:

Representatives of the following States: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, India, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Senegal, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Yugoslavia.

Representatives of the following specialized agencies: International Labour Organisation; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; World Health Organization.

The representative of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Opening of the session

1. Mr. PATIÑO (Colombia), Acting President, declared open the Thirty-fifth Session of the Economic and Social Council.

AGENDA ITEM 1

Election of President and Vice-Presidents for 1963

2. Mr. FRANZI (Italy) proposed Mr. Patiño (Colombia) for the office of President of the Economic and Social Council for 1963.

3. Mr. ALVAREZ VIDAURRE (El Salvador) and Mr. Hajek (Czechoslovakia) seconded the nomination.

Mr. Patiño (Colombia) was elected President by acclamation.

4. The PRESIDENT conveyed his warmest thanks to the members of the Council for the great honour they had done him. He interpreted his election as a token of recognition of the contribution Colombia was making to the cause of the developing countries and to the progress of international economic co-operation. Economic and social affairs occupied an increasingly prominent place in the modern world. The Council's function was therefore becoming all the more decisive. After welcoming the new members (Argentina, Austria and Czechoslovakia), he invited the Council to nominate candidates for the post of First Vice-President.

5. Mr. ANJARIA (India) nominated Mr. Walker (Australia).

6. Mr. DUPRAZ (France) and Mr. BINGHAM (United States of America) seconded the nomination.

Mr. Walker (Australia) was elected First Vice-President by acclamation.

7. Mr. WALKER (Australia) thanked the Council for the confidence it had placed in him.

8. Mr. PAVICEVIC (Yugoslavia) nominated Mr. Hajek (Czechoslovakia) for the office of Second Vice-President.

9. Mr. PICO (Argentina) and Mr. MATSCH (Austria) seconded the nomination.

Mr. Hajek (Czechoslovakia) was elected Second Vice-President by acclamation.

10. Mr. HAJEK (Czechoslovakia) thanked the Council for the honour it had done his country and himself.

11. Mr. MATSCH (Austria) thanked the President for his welcome to the new members.

AGENDA ITEM 2

Adoption of the Agenda (E/3716 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2)

12. The PRESIDENT drew the Council's attention to the supplementary items proposed for inclusion in the agenda (E/3716/Add.1 and 2) and to the suggestion contained in the Secretary-General's note (E/3716 and Corr.1, para. 2) that the Council might agree to postpone item 7 (Co-ordinated action in the field of water resources). In the absence of any objection, he would assume that the Council accepted the supplementary items and the Secretary-General's suggestion.

The agenda (E/3716 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2) was adopted.

Arrangement of business (E/L.978)

13. The PRESIDENT drew the Council's attention to the order of discussion of agenda items suggested in the working paper prepared by the Secretary-General (E/L.978). Item 8 (International co-operation in cartography) would be discussed first. As consultations were in progress with regard to item 3 (Declaration on international economic co-operation), he proposed to postpone it until after item 5 (reports of the Bank, IFC and IDA). The Council might wish to take up item 9 (Transport development), item 10 (Population questions) or item 11 (Capital punishment) during the first week instead of item 3.

14. Mr. FRANZI (Italy) said that, as he was awaiting instructions from his Government with regard to item 11, he would prefer it to be discussed at a later date. He suggested that the Council might take up item 14 (Review of the composition of the United Nations/FAO Inter-Governmental Committee on the World Food Programme) after item 8.

15. Mr. WALKER (Australia) said that his delegation was not yet in a position to discuss item 14, as it too was awaiting instructions from its Government.

16. Mr. CVOROVIC (Yugoslavia) proposed that the three supplementary questions which had become agenda items 21 (Earthquake relief to Libya), 22 (Flood relief to Morocco) and 23 (Relief to Indonesia consequent on the volcanic eruption in Bali) should be taken up together after item 8.

It was so decided.

17. The PRESIDENT suggested that, if the consultations with regard to item 3 were concluded in time,

that item should be taken up immediately after item 5. If not, the Council might consider item 10.

It was so decided.

With the above changes, the order of discussion proposed in document E/L.978 was adopted.

18. The PRESIDENT recalled that, under rule 85 of the rules of procedure, non-governmental organizations in categories A and B which desired to be consulted should apply in writing so that the request reached the Secretary-General no later than forty-eight hours after the adoption of the agenda.

The meeting rose at 12.35 p.m.