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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

Since the thirty-first session, the Official Records of the General Assembly have consisted of records of meetings, sessional fascicles for each of the Main Committees and the General Committee, annexes to the meeting records, supplements, the List of Delegations and the Check List of Documents. Information on other documents is given in the Check List and in the relevant annex fascicles.

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AGENDA

[NOTE. The items allocated to the Special Political Committee are listed in the order in which they appeared in the letters dated 19 September and 2 October 1980 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Special Political Committee (A/SPC/35/l and Add.l). 1/ The number of the item on the agenda of the thirty-fifth session of the General Assembly is indicated in brackets.]

At its 3rd and 20th plenary meetings, on 19 September and 2 October 1980, the General Assembly decided to allocate the following agenda items to the Special Political Committee for consideration and report:

- 1. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation [52].
- 2. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [53]:
 - (a) Report of the Commissioner-General;
 - (b) Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
 - (c) Report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine;
 - (d) Reports of the Secretary-General.
- 3. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations [54].
- 4. International co-operation in the peaceful uses of outer space [55]:
 - (a) Report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;
 - (b) Report of the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

^{1/} At its 3rd and 4th meetings, on 9 and 13 October 1980, the Committee considered a note by the Chairman (A/SPC/35/L.1) containing a tentative programme of work which the Committee adopted without modification (see A/SPC/35/2).

- 5. Preparation of an international convention on principles governing the use by States of artificial earth satellites for direct television broadcasting: report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space [56].
- 6. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices
 Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories
 [57].
- 7. Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India: report of the Secretary-General [58].
- 8. Questions relating to information [59]:
 - (a) Report of the Committee on Information;
 - (b) Report of the Secretary-General;
 - (c) Report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization;
 - (d) Co-operation and assistance in the application and improvement of national information and mass communication systems for social progress and development: report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.
- 9. Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations [60].
- 10. Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa [28]:
 - (a) Report of the Special Committee againt Apartheid;
 - (b) Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Drafting of an International Convention against Apartheid in Sports;
 - (c) Reports of the Secretary-General.

[The General Assembly decided that this item would be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that the representatives of the Organization of African Unity and of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity would be permitted to participate in the discussion in plenary meeting and that organizations having a special interest in the question would be permitted to be heard by the Special Political Committee.]

11. International co-operation to avert new flows of refugees [122].

CONTENTS OF MEETINGS

NOTE. In the table of contents which follows, the headings appearing in the summary records have been corrected where necessary.

1st meeting

Tuesday, 16 September 1980, at 5.30 p.m.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

2nd meeting

Monday, 22 September 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIRMEN

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

3rd meeting

Thursday, 9 October 1980, at 10.50 a.m.

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

4th meeting

Monday, 13 October 1980, at 3.15 p.m.

EXPRESSION OF CONDOLENCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE EARTHQUAKE IN ALGERIA

ELECTION OF THE RAPPORTEUR

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

AGENDA ITEM 52:

Effects of atomic radiation: report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation

5th meeting

Tuesday, 14 October 1980, at 3.10 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 52 (concluded)

Wednesday, 15 October 1980, at 3.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53:

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East:

- (a) Report of the Commissioner-General;
- (b) Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
- (c) Report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine;
- (d) Reports of the Secretary-General

7th meeting

Thursday, 16 October 1980, at 3.10 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (continued)

8th meeting

Friday, 17 October 1980, at 10.50 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (continued)

9th meeting

Friday, 17 October 1980, at 3.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (continued)

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

10th meeting

Monday, 20 October 1980, at 10.45 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (continued)

11th meeting

Monday, 20 October 1980, at 3.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (continued)

^{*} Both a summary record and a partial verbatim record were issued for this meeting.

Tuesday, 21 October 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (continued)

13th meeting

Wednesday, 22 October 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 53 (concluded)

14th meeting

Thursday, 23 October 1980, at 10.55 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 55:

International co-operation in the peaceful uses of outer space:

- (a) Report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;
- (b) Report of the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

AGENDA ITEM 56:

Preparation of an international convention on principles governing the use by States of artificial earth satellites for direct television broadcasting: report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

15th meeting

Friday, 24 October 1980, at 10.50 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 55 (continued)

AGENDA ITEM 56 (continued)

16th meeting

Monday, 27 October 1980, at 10.50 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 55 (continued)

AGENDA ITEM 56 (continued)

17th meeting

Tuesday, 28 October 1980, at 10.45 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 55 (continued)

AGENDA ITEM 56 (continued)

18th meeting Wednesday, 29 October 1980, at 11 a.m. AGENDA ITEM 55 (continued) AGENDA ITEM 56 (continued) 19th meeting Wednesday, 29 October 1980, at 3.15 p.m. AGENDA ITEM 55 (concluded) AGENDA ITEM 56 (concluded) 20th meeting Thursday, 30 October 1980, at 3.25 p.m. AGENDA ITEM 60: Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations 21st meeting Monday, 3 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m. AGENDA ITEM 54: Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations 22nd meeting Tuesday, 4 November 1980, at 3.30 p.m. AGENDA ITEM 54 (continued) 23rd meeting

Wednesday, 5 November 1980, at 10.50 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 54 (continued)

24th meeting

Wednesday, 5 November 1980, at 3.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 54 (continued)

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25th meeting
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Friday, 7 November 1980, at 3.25 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57:

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories

OTHER MATTERS

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

26th meeting

Monday, 10 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 54 (concluded)

AGENDA ITEM 57 (continued)

27th meeting

Tuesday, 11 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57 (continued)

28th meeting

Wednesday, 12 November 1980, at 11 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57 (continued)

29th meeting*

Wednesday, 12 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57 (continued)

30th meeting*

Thursday, 13 November 1980, at 10.55 a.m

AGENDA ITEM 59:

Questions relating to information:

(a) Report of the Committee on Information;

^{*} Both a summary record and a partial verbatim record were issued for this meeting.

- (b) Report of the Secretary-General;
- (c) Report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational,
 Scientific and Cultural Organization;
- (d) Co-operation and assistance in the application and improvement of national information and mass communication systems for social progress and development: report of the Dirtector-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

31st meeting**

Thursday, 13 November 1980, at 3.30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 28.

Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa: ***

- (a) Report of the Special Committee against Apartheid;
- (b) Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Drafting of an International Convention against Apartheid in Sports:
- (c) Reports of the Secretary-General

32nd meeting*

Friday, 14 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

33rd meeting

Monday, 17 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

34th meeting

Tuesday, 18 November 1980, at 11 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57 (continued)

35th meeting

Wednesday, 19 November 1980, at 3.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

^{**} A verbatim record was issued for this meeting.

^{***} See above "Agenda", item 10.

Thursday, 20 November 1980, at 11 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

37th meeting

Thursday, 20 November 1980, at 3.20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

38th meeting

Friday, 21 November 1980, at 10.45 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

39th meeting

Friday, 21 November 1980, at 3.30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57 (concluded)

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

40th meeting

Monday, 24 November 1980, at 10.50 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

41st meeting*

Monday, 24 November 1980, at 3.25 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 58:

Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Basas da India: report of the Secretary-General

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

EXPRESSION OF CONDOLENCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECENT EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY

^{*} Both a summary record and a partial verbatim record were issued for this meeting.

42nd meeting

Tuesday, 25 November 1980, at 11 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 58 (concluded)

43rd meeting

Wednesday, 26 November 1980, at 3.35 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 122:

International co-operation to avert new flows of refugees

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

44th meeting

Friday, 28 November 1980, at 3.30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 122 (continued)

45th meeting

Monday, 1 December 1980, at 10.55 a.m.

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

AGENDA ITEM 122 (continued)

46th meeting

Monday, 1 December 1980, at 3.25 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 122 (continued)

47th meeting

Tuesday, 2 December 1980, at 11 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 122 (continued)

48th meeting

Friday, 5 December 1980, at 11.30 a.m.

TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF MR. RRANCISCO SA CARNEIRO, PRIME MINISTER OF PORTUGAL, AND MR. H. SHIRLEY AMERASINGHE, PRESIDENT OF THE THIRD UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

AGENDA ITEM 122 (continued)

Friday, 5 December 1980, at 4.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 122 (concluded)

50th meeting

Monday, 8 December 1980, at 10.55 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (continued)

51st meeting

Tuesday, 9 December 1980, at 3.25 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 59 (concluded)

COMPLETION OF THE COMMITTEE'S WORK

CORRIGENDUM

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3415 (XXX) of 8 December 1975, the records of the meetings of the Main Committees of the Assembly and the General Committee - which were issued first in provisional mimeographed form and, after being edited, reissued in printed form - have, since the thirty-first session, been issued only once, in final form, the text being subject to correction.

The corrigendum that follows contains delegation and Secretariat corrections to the English text of the records of the meetings held by the Special Political Committee during the thirty-fifth session (A/SPC/35/SR.1-30 and 32-51 and A/SPC/35/PV.6, 29-32 and 41).

With the issuance of this corrigendum, the records of the above-mentioned meetings are to be considered final.

Note. As a rule, corrections to the following have not been included in the corrigendum:

- (a) The headings and tables of contents of individual meetings;
- (b) The symbols of documents pertaining to the agenda item under consideration:
 - (c) The spelling of proper names.

For these, see the contents of meetings above, the relevant annex fascicles, and the List of Delegations respectively.

5th meeting

Paragraph 14

Replace the first sentence of the paragraph by the following:

14. Nowhere was concern more acute about the hazards of radiation, particularly from nuclear weapons testing, than in the South Pacific.

Paragraphs 65 and 67

The name of the speaker should read Mr. Mahmoud EL-SAID

29th meeting

Paragraph 23, line 4

For principles and policies read policies and practices

Paragraph 24, line 5

For October read November

Paragraph 29, line 4

The line should read:

Palestinians formerly residing there were not allowed to go to the occupied territories, nor foreign journalists

Paragraph 30

Line 2: after Israel's insert alleged

Line 10: for it read people who vandalized synagogues

Paragraph 96

Lines 3 and 4 should read:

General Assembly had the legal mandate to partition any country. Some Arab States had proposed on several occasions that the International Court of Justice be asked for an advisory opinion in that connection, but the Arab

Line 6: after to remain insert and for its basic rights to be

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SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE 1st meeting held on Tuesday, 16 September 1980 at 5.30 p.m. New York

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE 1st MEETING

Mr. von WECHMAR (President of the Temporary Chairman: General Assembly)

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ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

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The meeting was called to order at 5.30 p.m.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

- 1. <u>Mr. MANCOURI</u> (Syrian Arab Republic) nominated Mr. Leonardo Mathias (Portugal).
- 2. In the absence of further nominations and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, the <u>TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN</u> declared Mr. Mathias (Portugal) elected Chairman by acclaration.
- 3. Ir. Mathias (Portugal) was elected Chairman by acclamation.

The meeting rose at 5.40 p.m.