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The meeting was called to order at 3.15 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE (agenda item 8) (continued)

1. The PRESIDENT said he hoped that the Credentials Committee could be appointed as soon as possible and noted that the Conference was still waiting for one delegation to give a definitive reply.
2. Mr. KHERADI (Secretary-General of the Special Conference) requested delegations which had yet done so to present their credentials as soon as possible.

ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

3. The PRESIDENT said that, if there were no objections, the meeting on Wednesday, 22 September, would end at 5 p.m. so that delegations wishing to do so could take part in a forum on questions relating to VEREX scheduled for that time.
4. It was so decided.

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC GROUP OF GOVERNMENTAL EXPERTS TO IDENTIFY AND EXAMINE POTENTIAL VERIFICATION MEASURES FROM A SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL STANDPOINT AND DECISION ON ANY FURTHER ACTION WITH A VIEW TO STRENGTHENING THE CONVENTION (agenda item 9) (continued)

5. The PRESIDENT recalled that the work of the Committee of the Whole would focus on agenda item 9. The general feeling seemed to be that the Committee of the Whole should give detailed consideration to the substantive issues under that item in order to facilitate the work of the Special Conference. To that end, specific proposals should be submitted in writing and clarifications should be provided on certain matters, as necessary. Proposals along the same lines might be grouped together.
6. In the next few days, formal discussions and informal exchanges of views might have to be combined. If the latter were held, they should be transparent and open-ended. The fact that some delegations were small and could therefore not take part in two meetings at the same time should also be taken into account.

The meeting rose at 3.25 p.m.