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WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND ON THE STAGE
REACHED IN THEIR CONSIDERATION

Addendum

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General is submitting the following summary statement.

The complete list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in document S/11593 of 7 June 1975 and the pertinent addenda.

At its 1840th meeting, held in private on 22 September 1975, the Security Council considered its draft report to the General Assembly, covering the period from 16 June 1974 to 15 June 1975. The Security Council approved the report unanimously.

During the week ending 27 September 1975, the Security Council also took the following action in connexion with the admission of new members:

By a note issued on 16 September 1975 (S/11823), the Secretary-General circulated the text of a telegram dated 16 September, addressed to him by the Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea, submitting the application of Papua New Guinea for admission to membership in the United Nations.

At its 1839th meeting, held on 22 September, the Security Council included the application in its agenda without objection. In accordance with rule 59 of the provisional rules of procedure and in the absence of a proposal to the contrary, the President referred the application to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for consideration and report.

At its 1841st meeting, also held on 22 September, the Security Council included the Committee's report (S/11829) in its agenda without objection, and the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Australia, pursuant to his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote. As suggested in paragraph 3 of the Committee's report, the Council agreed to proceed at once, under the last paragraph of rule 60 of its provisional rules of procedure, to make a recommendation to the General Assembly concerning the application of Papua New Guinea, and adopted unanimously, as resolution 375 (1975), the draft resolution contained in paragraph 4 of the report of the Committee.

Resolution 375 (1975) read as follows:

The Security Council,

Having examined the application of Papua New Guinea for admission to the United Nations (S/11823),

Recommends to the General Assembly that Papua New Guinea be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

In a letter dated 19 September (S/11826), the President of the General Assembly transmitted to the President of the Security Council the text of resolution 3366 (XXX) in which the General Assembly, considering that the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam and the Republic of South Viet-Nam should be admitted to membership, requested the Security Council to reconsider those applications immediately and favourably in strict accordance with Article 4, paragraph 1, of the Charter.

By a note issued on 22 September (S/11828), the Secretary-General circulated the text of a letter addressed to him on 21 September by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea requesting that appropriate measures be taken to have the application for membership of the Republic of Korea given further consideration by the Security Council at the earliest possible date.

At its 1842nd meeting held on 26 September, the Security Council had before it a provisional agenda which read as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Letter dated 19 September 1975 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/11826)
3. Note by the Secretary-General transmitting a letter dated 21 September 1975 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea addressed to the Secretary-General (S/11828).

The President, referring to prior consultations, put to the vote the inclusion of each of the above items in the Council's agenda, with the following results:

Item 2 was approved by a vote of 14 in favour to none against, with 1 abstention (the United States).

Item 3 received 7 votes in favour (Costa Rica, France, Italy, Japan, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States) to 7 against (Byelorussian SSR, China, Guyana, Iraq, Mauritania, the USSR and the United Republic of Tanzania), with 1 abstention (United Republic of Cameroon) and was not approved, having failed to obtain the required majority.

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The Security Council then proceeded to adopt the agenda as a whole, as amended, by 13 votes to none, with 2 abstentions (the United Kingdom and the United States).

The Council decided, without objection, not to refer the applications to the Committee on the Admission of New Members.

Pursuant to their requests, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Dahomey, the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, India, Madagascar, Mongolia, Poland, Senegal, Sri Lanka and Yugoslavia to participate in the discussion on the question on its agenda without the right to vote.
