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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS
OF 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 list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in document S/14326 of 9 January 1981 and S/14326/Add.23 of 17 June 1981.

During the week ending 26 December 1981, the Security Council took no action on any of the items listed therein.

During that week, however, pursuant to a note by the Secretary-General dated 17 December 1981 (S/14799), the Security Council met at its 2321st meeting, on 21 December 1981, to consider the question of the date of elections to fill a vacancy in the International Court of Justice as a result of the death, on 12 December 1981, of Judge Abdullah El-Erian.

The President called attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/14809 which had been prepared in the course of consultations.

The Security Council voted on the draft resolution (S/14809) and adopted it unanimously as resolution 499 (1981).

Resolution 499 (1981) reads as follows:

"The Security Council,

"Noting with regret the death of Judge Abdullah El-Erian on 12 December 1981,

"Noting further that a vacancy in the International Court of Justice for the remainder of the term of office of the deceased judge has thus occurred and must be filled in accordance with the terms of the Statute of the Court,

Noting that, in accordance with Article 14 of the Statute, the date of the elections to fill these vacancies shall be fixed by the Security Council,

Decides that elections to fill the vacancy shall take place at a meeting of the Security Council and at a meeting of the resumed thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly."

The President made the following statement on behalf of the Security Council:

"The President of the Security Council has been informed by the Secretariat that following the 2306th meeting of the Security Council, on 5 November 1981, devoted to the election of five members of the International Court of Justice, a further examination of the ballots established that an error had inadvertently been made in the tally of votes on the first ballot.

"As the final result of the voting would have remained the same, the Security Council confirms that the result of the balloting announced at the conclusion of the 2306th meeting remains valid."
