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PERSONNEL QUESTIONS

COMPOSITION OF THE SECRETARIAT

The delegations of Poland and the Ukrainian SSR propose that the following paragraph should be included in the report of the Committee on agenda item 84 (a):

"The Fifth Committee, concerned at the lack of progress in achieving equitable geographical distribution within the United Nations Secretariat, requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to take effective measures to ensure the speedy implementation of resolutions 2539 (XXIV) and 2736 (XXV) and other General Assembly decisions relating to this question. In this connexion, particular attention should be given to the application of the guidelines for the recruitment of staff set out in General Assembly resolution 2736 (XXV), and, in particular, to the principle that, in the recruitment of staff for posts at all levels which are subject to geographical distribution, particularly posts at the senior level, preference should be given to qualified candidates of under-represented countries. The Committee also requests the Secretary-General to prepare, for consideration at the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly, a special report on the situation with regard to the implementation of the above-mentioned General Assembly decisions and a long-term plan of recruitment to serve as a means of expediting the achievement of equitable geographical distribution of staff."

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