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The meeting was called to order at 10.25 a.m.

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ALLOCATION OF ITEMS (continued)

Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, The Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, The United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela (A/37/246)

1. The CHAIRMAN said that several Member States had submitted a request, contained in document A/37/246, for the inclusion of an additional item in the agenda of the thirty-seventh session. The representative of Ecuador had asked to participate in the discussion of the request in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.
  2. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Escudero (Ecuador) took a place at the Committee table.
  3. Mr. ESCUDERO (Ecuador) introduced on behalf of its sponsors the request contained in document A/37/246 for the inclusion in the agenda of an additional item entitled "Observance of the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Simón Bolívar, the Liberator". The political thought and inspired vision of Bolívar had stamped him as a precursor of the United Nations and the League of Nations. It would therefore be appropriate to observe the two-hundredth anniversary of his birth at United Nations Headquarters, in addition to the ceremonies that would be held in various countries.
  4. Mr. Escudero (Ecuador) withdrew.
  5. The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include the additional item entitled "Observance of the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Simón Bolívar, the Liberator" in the agenda and consider it directly in plenary meeting.
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6. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to a letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/37/450/Add.4) and recalled that, in paragraph 34 of its decision 34/401, the General Assembly had decided that no subsidiary organ of the Assembly should be permitted to meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. As the letter in question indicated, the Committee on Conferences had received a request from the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Populations of the

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Occupied Territories for authorization to meet during the thirty-seventh session. If there was no objection, he would take it that the Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should authorize that subsidiary organ to meet at Headquarters during the thirty-seventh session.

7. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 10.35 a.m.