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Chairman: Ms. Ferrari (Vice-Chairperson) (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

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*In the absence of Mr. Maitlord (South Africa),
Ms. Ferrari (Italy), Vice-Chairperson, took the chair.*

The meeting was called to order at 11.10 a.m.

**Election of the Chairman for the fifty-eighth session
of the General Assembly**

1. **The Chairperson** recalled that, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 56/509 of 8 July 2002, a number of changes had been made to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and that rule 99 now called for all the Main Committees to elect a Chairman at least three months before the opening of the session.

2. At its 18th meeting on 19 November 2001, the Committee had decided that in future it would elect its Bureau on a rotational basis, using the English alphabetical order of the regional groups. In accordance with that procedure, the next Chairman should be from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

3. **Mr. Loedel** (Uruguay) had been nominated for election to the office of Chairman for the fifty-eighth session. In the absence of further nominations and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, she would take it that the Committee wished to elect Mr. Loedel (Uruguay) Chairman.

4. **Mr. Loedel** (Uruguay) was elected Chairman by acclamation.

The meeting rose at 11.15 a.m.