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The meeting was called to order at 3.35 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 57: QUESTION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE RELEVANT ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS (continued) (A/SPC/33/L.13)

1. The CHAIRMAN announced that consultations had taken place between the representatives of the various regional groups on the important item before the Committee with a view to finding a solution acceptable to all sides which could be adopted by consensus. Given the importance of the question, the consultations should continue and the representative of each group should be given time to consult with the other members of his group.
2. Mr. SARALTA (Chad), speaking on behalf of the African Group, proposed that draft resolution A/SPC/33/L.13 should be amended as shown in document A/SPC/33/L.14 by deleting operative paragraph 3, which the achievement of a consensus would render unnecessary; by replacing paragraph 4 (a) of the annex by the words "(a) Two representatives from African States"; by deleting subparagraph (f) of the same paragraph and replacing subparagraph (g), which would then become subparagraph (f), by the following: "(f) The seventh chairmanship shall rotate every alternate year among representatives of States mentioned in subparagraphs (b) and (d) above".
3. The CHAIRMAN suggested that the Committee should defer consideration of item 57 until delegations reached informal agreement on the matter.
4. It was so decided.

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5. Mr. EL-JEAAAN (Kuwait) said that the frequent delays in the distribution of documents concerning items under consideration had obstructed the work of the Committee; he asked what steps were being taken to correct that situation.
6. The CHAIRMAN said that he shared the concern of the representative of Kuwait; he had received assurances from the Secretariat that everything possible would be done to avoid such delays.
7. Mr. BACHROUCH (Tunisia) said that his delegation was most anxious that the Committee should begin its consideration of agenda item 77 (a), "Co-operation and assistance in the application and improvement of national information and mass communication systems for social progress and development", on 29 November.
8. The CHAIRMAN suggested that, since the Secretariat had stated that the relevant documentation for agenda item 55 would be circulated on Thursday, 16 November, the Committee should begin its consideration of that item, "Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories", on Monday, 20 November; that, as the General Assembly had requested, the Committee should hold a meeting on Tuesday, 21 November to hear statements by non-governmental organizations on

matters relating to agenda item 32, "Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa"; that item 56, "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects", should be discussed on 27 and 28 November; that the Committee should begin its discussion of item 77 (a), "Co-operation and assistance in the application and improvement of national information and mass communication systems for social progress and development", on 29 November so as to take account of the request by the representative of Tunisia; and that when consideration of item 77 was completed, the Committee should take up item 126, "Establishment of an agency or a department of the United Nations for undertaking, co-ordinating and disseminating the results of research into unidentified flying objects and related phenomena", after consultations with the delegation of Grenada. The Committee would thus have completed its consideration of the items allocated to it. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee approved the organization of its work as suggested.

9. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 3.55 p.m.