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The meeting was called to order at 10.05 a.m.

Agenda item 112

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections

(a) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Note by the Secretary-General (A/65/291)

The President (*spoke in French*): Pursuant to General Assembly decision 42/450 of 17 December 1987 and on the nomination of the Economic and Social Council, the Assembly elects the members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

The Assembly has before it document A/65/291, which contains the nominations by the Economic and Social Council to fill the vacancies in the Committee that will occur as a result of the expiration, on 31 December 2010, of the terms of office of Bangladesh, China, Jamaica, Kenya, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Niger and the Republic of Korea.

Those States are eligible for immediate re-election.

I should like to remind members that, after 1 January 2011, the following States will still be members of the Committee: Argentina, Armenia, Belarus, Brazil, the Central African Republic, the Comoros, Cuba, Guinea, Haiti, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, South

Africa, Spain, Ukraine, Uruguay and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. Therefore, those 28 States are not eligible in this election.

I should now like to inform members that the following States have been nominated by the Economic and Social Council — Algeria, Benin and Eritrea for the three seats among the African States, China and the Republic of Korea — for two of the three seats among the Asian States and Antigua and Barbuda for the one seat among the Latin American and Caribbean States.

In accordance with rule 92 of the rules of procedure, all elections should be held by secret ballot and there shall be no nominations. However, I should like to recall paragraph 16 of General Assembly decision 34/401, whereby the practice of dispensing with the secret ballot for elections to subsidiary organs when the number of candidates corresponds to the number of seats to be filled should become standard, unless a delegation specifically requests a vote on a given election.

In the absence of such a request, may I take it that the Assembly decides to proceed to the election on the basis of dispensing with the secret ballot?

It was so decided.

The President (*spoke in French*): The number of States nominated from among the African States, the Asian States and the Latin American and Caribbean States is equal to or less than the number of seats to be filled in each of those groups.

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May I therefore take it that the Assembly wishes to declare those States nominated by the Economic and Social Council — Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Benin, China, Eritrea and the Republic of Korea — elected members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2011?

It was so decided.

The President (*spoke in French*): I congratulate the States that have just been elected members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Members are reminded that the Economic and Social Council postponed the nomination of one member from the Asian States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2011. The General Assembly will be in a position to act on that vacancy upon the nomination by the Economic and Social Council of one Member State from that region.

We have thus concluded this stage of our consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 112.

Agenda item 113 (continued)

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

(f) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences

Note by the Secretary-General (A/65/107)

The President (spoke in French): As indicated in document A/65/107, since the terms of office of Argentina, Austria, China, Japan, Kenya, Tunisia and the United States of America will expire on 31 December 2010, it will be necessary for the President of the General Assembly to appoint, during the current session, seven members in order to fill the resulting vacancies. Those members will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2011.

On the recommendation of the regional groups, I have appointed Austria, China, Ethiopia, Japan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the United States of America as members of the Committee on Conferences for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2011.

May I take it that the Assembly takes note of those appointments?

It was so decided.

The President (*spoke in French*): Regarding the remaining vacant seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States, I urge that regional group to submit its candidature as soon as possible.

The Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 113.

The meeting rose at 10.15 a.m.

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