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President: Mr. Carlos SOSA RODRIGUEZ
(Venezuela).

AGENDA ITEM 15

Election of five members of the International Court of Justice (concluded)

1. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): The purpose of this meeting is to continue with the election of five members of the International Court of Justice. As Members of the Assembly know, there is still one vacancy on the Court to be filled. The ballot papers are being distributed, and I should like to recall that votes may be cast for all the candidates with the exception of Mr. André Gros, Sir Gerald Fitzmaurice, Mr. Luis Padilla Nervo and Mr. Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, who were elected members of the Court at the previous meeting. I must also remind delegations that they should put a cross against the name of one candidate only. Any ballot containing the name of more than one candidate will be invalid.

2. I must ask Members to remain the hall until the voting has been completed.

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A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<i>Number of ballot papers:</i>	114
<i>Invalid ballots:</i>	0
<i>Number of valid ballots:</i>	114
<i>Number of members voting:</i>	114
<i>Required majority:</i>	58

<i>Number of votes obtained:</i>	
Mr. Isaac Forster (Senegal)	54
Mr. Fouad Ammoun (Lebanon)	36
Mr. Raúl Sapena Pastor (Paraguay)	20
Mr. Wirjono Prodjodikoro	2
Mr. José Joaquín Caicedo Castilla (Colombia)	1
Mr. Erik Castrén (Finland)	1

3. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): As none of the candidates has obtained the required ab-

solute majority, we shall have to vote again. As in the previous vote, votes may be cast for any of the candidates except the four who have already been elected members of the Court.

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Mr. Wirjono Prodjodikoro (Indonesia)	1

4. The PRESIDENT (translated from Spanish): Mr. Isaac Forster, of Senegal, has obtained the required majority in the General Assembly.

5. I shall now read out the following letter from the President of the Security Council, announcing the result of the vote in that organ:

[The President continued in English.]

"I have the honour to inform you that at the 1072nd meeting of the Security Council, held on 21 October 1963 for the purpose of electing one member of the International Court of Justice, the following candidate obtained an absolute majority of votes:

"Mr. Isaac Forster.

"Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

*”(Signed) Nikolai FEDORENKO
”President of the Security Council”*

[The President resumed in Spanish.]

6. As a result of the voting which has taken place independently in the General Assembly and in the Security Council, Mr. Isaac Forster, of Senegal, who has obtained the absolute majority of votes in both organs, has been elected a member of the International Court of Justice. I have communicated this result to the President of the Security Council.

The meeting rose at 5.45 p.m.