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President: Mr. Oh Joon (Republic of Korea)

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The meeting was called to order at 10.15 a.m.

Election of the Bureau *(continued)*

1. **The President** said he had been informed that Mr. Drobnjak (Croatia) had resigned as Vice-President of the Council for 2016 and that, in accordance with rule 22 of the Council's rules of procedure, the Group of Eastern European States had endorsed the candidacy of Mr. Jürgenson (Estonia) to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Drobnjak. He had also been informed that Mr. Seger (Switzerland) had resigned as Vice-President of the Council for 2016 and that, in accordance with rule 22 of the Council's rules of procedure, the Group of Western European and Other States had endorsed the candidacy of Mr. Lauber (Switzerland) to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Seger.

2. *Mr. Jürgenson (Estonia) and Mr. Lauber (Switzerland) were elected Vice-Presidents of the Council by acclamation.*

3. **The President** said that the Bureau had reached agreement with regard to its division of responsibilities for the 2016 session. He himself would conduct the high-level segment and the high-level political forum on sustainable development for 2016, convened under the auspices of the Council, in addition to the organizational session regarding the programme of work of the Council from July 2016 to July 2017; Ms. Perceval (Argentina), Vice-President, would conduct the operational activities for development segment; Mr. Jürgenson (Estonia), Vice-President, would conduct the integration segment; Mr. Lauber (Switzerland), Vice-President, would conduct the humanitarian affairs segment; and Mr. Shava (Zimbabwe), Vice-President, would conduct the coordination and management meetings, including the elections to fill vacancies in the Council's subsidiary bodies.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters *(continued)* (E/2016/L.3)

Draft decision E/2016/L.3: Application of the intergovernmental organization International Network for Bamboo and Rattan for observer status with the Economic and Social Council

4. **The President** said that the draft decision had no programme budget implications.

5. *Draft decision E/2016/L.3 was adopted.*

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

6. **The President** said that Switzerland had been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS for a term beginning on 1 January 2016 and expiring on 31 December 2018. He took it that the Council wished to elect Switzerland by acclamation.

7. *Switzerland was elected a member of the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS by acclamation.*

8. **The President** said that, in the absence of any other candidates for election to the Programme Coordinating Board, he took it that the Council wished to postpone the election of two members from the Western European and Other States for a term beginning on 1 January 2016 and expiring on 31 December 2018.

9. *It was so decided.*

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

10. **The President** said that Guatemala had resigned its seat on the Executive Board of the World Food Programme effective 31 December 2015. Panama had been endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States to complete the term of office of Guatemala, beginning on 1 January 2016 and expiring on 31 December 2017. He took it that the Council wished to elect Panama by acclamation.

11. *Panama was elected a member of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme by acclamation.*

The meeting rose at 10.30 a.m.