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The meeting was called to order at 3.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 147: REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY
(continued) (A/C.6/44/L.20)

1. Mr. MOUSHOUTAS (Cyprus), introducing draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.20, said that it was the outcome of consultations among those holding representative views in the Committee and reflected the positive spirit prevailing in the international community. He hoped that, as in previous years, the Committee would unanimously support the draft resolution.
2. Mr. ORDZHONIKIDZE (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) drew the Secretariat's attention to translation errors in the Russian text of the draft resolution.
3. The CHAIRMAN said that, if he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee wished to adopt draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.20 without a vote.
4. Draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.20 was adopted.
5. Mr. TANG Chengyuan (China), speaking in explanation of vote, said that his delegation, while endorsing the draft resolution just adopted, emphasized that, pursuant to paragraph 4, the host country Government should seriously fulfil its obligations under the Convention on the Privileges of the United Nations and the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations, immediately rescind its travel restrictions in respect of United Nations representatives of Chinese and other nationalities, and end its discriminatory treatment of such representatives.
6. Mr. ROSENSTOCK (United States of America), speaking in explanation of vote, said that he regretted that one delegation, under the cover of explaining its vote, had attempted to cast doubt on the accuracy of paragraph 4 of document A/C.6/44/L.20. Paragraph 4 was entirely correct and consistent with the fact that there were no obligations which were not being fulfilled.

AGENDA ITEM 138: UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE IN THE TEACHING, STUDY, DISSEMINATION AND WIDER APPRECIATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (continued)
(A/C.6/44/L.16 and L.21)

7. Mr. MONTES DE OCA (Mexico), introducing document A/C.6/44/L.21 containing amendments to draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.16, said that, after conferring with many delegations, he had incorporated their suggestions into the draft amendments. The most important changes concerned paragraph 4 of document A/C.6/44/L.21. The use of the word "publications" changed the meaning of the earlier draft and took into account the concerns expressed by the International Court of Justice. The paragraph did not refer to all publications of the Court, but only to advisory and separate opinions and those which reflected opposing views.

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(Mr. Montes de Oca, Mexico)

8. He announced that Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Kuwait and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya had been added to the list of co-sponsors of document A/C.6/44/L.21.

9. He proposed that paragraph 4 should be amended by replacing the words "at the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly" by the words "to the General Assembly". The Secretary-General would thereby have an opportunity to present a report at the forty-fifth session under other relevant agenda items.

10. Mr. DASTIS (Spain) said that his country had joined the list of co-sponsors of document A/C.6/44/L.21.

11. The CHAIRMAN asked whether the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.16 accepted the amendments in document A/C.6/44/L.21 as orally amended by the representative of Mexico.

At the request of the representative of Ghana, the meeting was suspended at 3.35 p.m. and resumed at 3.40 p.m.

12. Mr. KUFUOR (Ghana) said that the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.16 had no objection to incorporating the amendments in document A/C.6/44/L.21, including the oral amendment, into the draft resolution, provided that the report to be produced by the Secretariat was made available to the Advisory Committee.

13. Mr. VAN DE VELDE (Netherlands) and Mr. DEL POZO (Bolivia) said that their delegations had joined the list of co-sponsors of document A/C.6/44/L.21.

14. The CHAIRMAN said that Gabon had also joined the list of co-sponsors of document A/C.6/44/L.21. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee wished to adopt draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.16, as amended, without a vote.

15. Draft resolution A/C.6/44/L.16 was adopted.

The meeting rose at 3.45 p.m.