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*President* : Mr. C. W. A. SCHURMANN (Netherlands).

*Present* :

Representatives of the following States: Afghanistan, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Denmark, France, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Spain, Sudan, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

Observers for the following Member States: Argentina, Austria, Indonesia, Mexico, Pakistan, Portugal, Romania, Uruguay.

Observers for the following non-member State: Federal Republic of Germany.

Representatives of the following specialized agencies: International Labour Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, International Civil Aviation Organization, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, International Monetary Fund, World Health Organization, Universal Postal Union, International Telecommunication Union Interim Commission for the International Trade Organization.

**Opening of the session**

1. The PRESIDENT declared the thirtieth session of the Economic and Social Council open. The current session would be noteworthy for the meetings at the ministerial level and for the discussion of programme appraisals. In both cases the Council would be embarking on a new experiment which might have an important influence on its future work.

**AGENDA ITEM 1**

**Adoption of the agenda  
(E/3363 and Add. 1 and 2)**

2. The PRESIDENT invited comments on the Council's provisional agenda (E/3363) and on the two supplementary items proposed for inclusion in the agenda (E/3363/Add.1 and 2).

3. Mr. MATSUDAIRA (Japan) drew attention to the joint proposal of Costa Rica, Japan, the United States

of America and Venezuela for the inclusion in the provisional agenda of an item entitled "Measures to be adopted in connexion with the earthquakes in Chile" (E/3363/Add.1). Chile had suffered serious loss of life and great material damage, and the country would require assistance both in dealing with the immediate emergency and in long-term reconstruction. He believed that the Council should play an important role in the relief and rehabilitation of the victims of the disaster. Because of the urgency of the situation he hoped the item would be included in the agenda and given prompt attention. His own country had considerable experience of earthquakes and tidal waves and he would be glad if the Council, when discussing the item, could consider the ways of reducing the damage from such disasters to the minimum.

4. Mr. ADEEL (Sudan) expressed deep sympathy with the victims of the earthquakes in Chile. He recalled that, at its previous session, the Council had discussed a similar disaster in Morocco. The assistance given on that occasion had been one of the most heartwarming expressions of human solidarity. He fully supported the proposal that the supplementary item should be added to the agenda.

5. Mr. GARCÍA de LLERA (Spain) also warmly supported the proposal.

*The provisional agenda for the thirtieth session was adopted together with the two supplementary items.*

6. Mr. SCHWEITZER (Chile) said that he was most grateful to the Council for deciding to discuss the item concerning the disaster suffered by his country. He also thanked the previous speakers for their expressions of sympathy.

7. Mr. DUDLEY (United Kingdom) expressed his delegation's sympathy with Chile and hoped the Council would be able to make some helpful recommendations.

8. He was glad that both the supplementary items had been included in the agenda and he hoped that the application from Kuwait for membership in the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (cf. E/3363/Add.2) would be accepted.

**Arrangement of business of the session and appointment of committees (E/L.853/Rev.1)**

9. The PRESIDENT asked for comments on the plan proposed by the Secretary-General for the arrangement of business at the session (E./L. 853/Rev.1).

10. Mr. PHILLIPS (United States of America) proposed that the Council establish a committee of the whole to deal with questions relating to the Special Fund and

the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, as envisaged in Council resolution 692 C (XXVI). The question of the establishment of the committee was referred to in paragraphs 1 (b) and 10 of the plan for the arrangement of business.

*The proposal was approved.*

11. Mr. PHILLIPS (United States of America) proposed that the report of the Secretary-General pursuant to General Assembly resolution 1395 (XIV) on technical assistance in narcotic control (agenda item 13) be referred to the Technical Assistance Committee, in keeping with the practice in respect of all reports concerning United Nations technical assistance programmes.

*It was so decided.*

12. The PRESIDENT proposed that, in accordance with the Secretary-General's suggestion (E/L.853/Rev.1, para. 9), the Council establish a small committee to assist it in considering the candidates for election to the vacancy occurring in the Permanent Central Opium Board. That committee might consist of the delegations of Afghanistan, Brazil, Bulgaria, Denmark and New Zealand.

*It was so decided.*

13. The PRESIDENT proposed that the Council set up an Economic Committee and a Social Committee (cf. E/L.853/Rev.1, para. 8).

*It was so decided.*

14. Mr. DUDLEY (United Kingdom) said that, in view of the importance attached by the Council at its twenty-ninth session to the question of opportunities for international co-operation on behalf of former Trust Territories and other newly independent States, he proposed that the report on that subject, prepared by the Secretary-General pursuant to Council resolution 729 (XXIX) (agenda item 4), be considered in plenary meeting during the third week of the present session. He noted from paragraph 7 of the plan for the arrangement of business that the whole of items 2 and 4 had been scheduled for examination by the Economic Committee in that week.

*The proposal was approved.*

15. The PRESIDENT observed that the Council would have to decide at a later meeting when it should take up the two supplementary items which had been added to its agenda.

16. In accordance with rule 85 of the rules of procedure, he invited non-governmental organizations in categories A and B wishing to participate in the discussion of any item on the Council's agenda to submit their requests in writing within forty-eight hours of the adoption of the agenda.

The meeting rose at 11.50 a.m.