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**Chairman: Mr. L. N. PALAR (Indonesia).**

**Statement by the Chairman**

1. The CHAIRMAN thanked the delegations for the honour they had done his country and the confidence they had expressed in him personally in electing him Chairman of the Committee. He would make every effort to justify that confidence and he knew that he could count on the co-operation of members of the Committee and the Secretariat.

**Election of the Vice-Chairman**

2. The CHAIRMAN suggested that, in view of the stage reached in consultations concerning the election of the Vice-Chairman, the election should be deferred until 3 p.m.

3. Mr. NOGUEIRA (Portugal) suggested that the election should be held by secret ballot, in accordance with rule 105 of the rules of procedure.

4. Mr. Krishna MENON (India) thought that it would be better to defer the election of the Vice-Chairman, as the Chairman had suggested. He formally moved the adjournment of the meeting.

5. The CHAIRMAN put the motion to the vote in accordance with rule 119 of the rules of procedure.

*The motion for adjournment was carried by 50 votes to none, with 20 abstentions.*

The meeting rose at 12.5 p.m.