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

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Question of the frontier between the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration and Ethiopia: reports of the Governments of Ethiopia and of Italy (A/4323, A/4324, A/4325) (continued)

GENERAL DEBATE (continued)

1. Mr. SRDANOV (Yugoslavia) said that his country maintained friendly relations with the parties in the dispute and had been happy to support resolution 1418 (XIV) by which the General Assembly had advanced the date of independence for Somaliland under Italian administration to 1 July 1960.
2. Although the question at issue was not a simple one, all were agreed on the need for solving it as quickly as possible. Both parties had accepted the arbitration procedure recommended in General Assembly resolution 1213 (XII). The fact that the "independent person" nominated in pursuance of operative paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 1345 (XIII) had not been fully successful in achieving agreement on the terms of reference of the arbitration tribunal did not, in his delegation's opinion, mean that further efforts should not be made in that direction. His delegation would be gratified if the problem could be solved in the United Nations, by the mutual efforts of the parties concerned. The statements of the parties showed that the area of disagreement had been narrowed, and his delegation believed that the efforts now in progress would bring about a satisfactory solution. It would support any resolution acceptable to both the parties concerned.
3. Mr. RASGOTRA (India) suggested that the meeting might be adjourned, in view of the fact that there were no further speeches and certain delegations were still engaged in discussions concerning the submission of a draft resolution.
4. Miss BROOKS (Liberia) said that, as no draft resolution had yet been submitted to the Committee, she would support the Indian representative's suggestion.
5. Mr. ZULOAGA (Venezuela) suggested that the meeting might be adjourned for a short time and resumed later in the evening.
6. Mr. TRIANTAPHYLAKOS (Greece) formally moved the adjournment of the meeting.

That motion was adopted by 34 votes to 2, with 11 abstentions.

The meeting rose at 9.10 p.m.