



Monday, 3 December 1956,
at 3.15 p.m.

New York

CONTENTS

	Page
Statement by the Chairman	3
Election of the Vice-Chairman	3
Election of the Rapporteur	3
Order of discussion of agenda items	3

Chairman: Mr. Selim SARPER (Turkey).

Statement by the Chairman

1. The CHAIRMAN thanked the members of the Committee for the honour they had paid to his country and to himself in electing him to the Chairmanship. He promised he would do his best to prove himself worthy of that honour.

2. Mr. TRUJILLO (Ecuador), Mr. FORSYTH (Australia), Mr. KATZ-SUCHY (Poland) Mr. ABDOH (Iran), Mr. SARASIN (Thailand), Mr. LALL (India), Mr. JOUBLANC RIVAS (Mexico), Mr. MAKIEDO (Yugoslavia) and Mr. SUDJARWO (Indonesia) congratulated the Chairman on his election and said that he deserved that honour by reason of his exceptional qualifications and experience, which would prove of great value to the Committee.

Election of the Vice-Chairman

3. Mr. TRUJILLO (Ecuador) nominated Mr. Sudjarwo (Indonesia).

4. Mr. FORSYTH (Australia), Mr. KATZ-SUCHY (Poland), Mr. KING (Liberia), Mr. ABDOH (Iran) and Mr. SARASIN (Thailand) seconded the nomination.

Mr. Sudjarwo (Indonesia) was elected Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

5. Mr. SUDJARWO (Indonesia) thanked the members of the Committee for the honour that they had paid to his country and to himself by electing him to the vice-chairmanship.

Election of the Rapporteur

6. Mr. LALL (India) nominated Mr. Makiedo (Yugoslavia).

7. Mr. JOUBLANC RIVAS (Mexico) seconded the nomination.

Mr. Makiedo (Yugoslavia) was elected Rapporteur by acclamation.

8. Mr. MAKIEDO (Yugoslavia) thanked the members of the Committee for his election and said he regarded it as a tribute to the policy followed by his country in the United Nations.

9. Mr. LALL (India), Mr. JOUBLANC RIVAS (Mexico) and Mr. FEKINI (Libya) congratulated the Vice-Chairman and the Rapporteur on their election and said that the Committee would be well guided in its work.

Order of discussion of agenda items (A/SPC/1)

10. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to the list of items that had been allocated to it (A/SPC/1). The order in which the items were listed was not necessarily that which the Committee should follow in its discussions. He asked whether the members of the Committee had any suggestions regarding the order in which the items should be considered.

11. Mr. ZEINEDDINE (Syria) suggested that the Commission should first consider item 5 [64*] then item 2 [24*] and then item 4 [61*]. The Committee could decide at a later stage the order in which it would consider the remaining two items. He also pointed out that the documents concerning item 1 [23*] were not yet all available.

12. Mr. LALL (India) supported the Syrian representative's proposal but noted that item 5 [64*] dealt with a new question, recently proposed by Argentina, which was of considerable interest and would require detailed study. There was little likelihood of the Assembly being able to take a decision on that question at the present session.

13. Mr. BELLO (Argentina) said that his delegation did not expect the question which it had proposed to be fully considered at the present session. The Committee might nevertheless engage in a preliminary discussion of the matter and transmit its conclusions either to the International Law Commission or to a special committee which would be requested to give its opinion to the next session of the General Assembly.

14. The CHAIRMAN proposed that the items allocated to the Special Political Committee should be considered by it in the following order: (1) Draft Convention concerning a System of Consultation [64*]; (2) Treatment of the people of Indian origin in the Union of South Africa: reports of the Governments of India and of Pakistan [24*]; (3) Question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of the Union of South Africa [61*]; (4) Admission of new Members to the United Nations [25*]; (5) Report of the Director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [23*].

The proposal was adopted.

The meeting rose at 3.45 p.m.

* Indicates the item number on the agenda of the General Assembly.