



Twentieth session
Agenda items 15 and 16

ELECTION OF NON-PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Report of the Secretary-General

1. The Secretary-General has the honour to communicate to the Members of the General Assembly, for their information, the attached "Protocol of Entry into Force of the Amendments to Articles 23, 27 and 61 of the Charter of the United Nations adopted by General Assembly resolutions 1991 A and B (XVIII) of 17 December 1963". As will be seen from this Protocol, the amendments to the Charter, which the Assembly had called upon Member States to ratify by 1 September 1965, came into force on 31 August 1965.
2. In order to give effect to the amended Charter, elections will be held during the twentieth session of the General Assembly to fill both the additional seats and those which will become vacant on 31 December 1965 in the Security Council and in the Economic and Social Council. This accords with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 1991 A and B (XVIII), which provide that elections to fill old and new seats should be held on the same occasion. In accordance with rule 140 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the terms of office of members elected to the Councils at the twentieth session will begin on 1 January 1966.

PROTOCOL OF ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES 23, 27 AND 61 OF
THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTIONS 1991 A AND B (XVIII) OF 17 DECEMBER 1963

WHEREAS Article 108 of the Charter of the United Nations provides as follows:

"Article 108

"Amendments to the present Charter shall come into force for all Members of the United Nations when they have been adopted by a vote of two thirds of the members of the General Assembly and ratified in accordance with their respective constitutional processes by two thirds of the Members of the United Nations, including all the permanent members of the Security Council."

WHEREAS the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted on 17 December 1963, in accordance with the said Article 108, the amendments to Articles 23, 27 and 61 of the Charter of the United Nations as set forth in resolutions 1991 A and B (XVIII),

WHEREAS the requirements of the said Article 108 with respect to the ratification of the above-mentioned amendments were fulfilled by 31 August 1965, as shown in the Annex to this Protocol, and the said amendments entered into force on that day for all Members of the United Nations,

AND WHEREAS the text of Articles 23, 27 and 61 of the Charter of the United Nations as amended reads as follows:

"Article 23

"1. The Security Council shall consist of fifteen Members of the United Nations. The Republic of China, France, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America shall be permanent members of the Security Council. The General Assembly shall elect ten other Members of the United Nations to be non-permanent members of the Security Council, due regard being specially paid, in the first instance to the contribution of Members of the United Nations to the maintenance of international peace and security and to the other purposes of the Organization, and also to equitable geographical distribution.

"2. The non-permanent members of the Security Council shall be elected for a term of two years. In the first election of the non-permanent members after the increase of the membership of the Security Council from eleven to fifteen, two of the four additional members shall be chosen for a term of one year. A retiring member shall not be eligible for immediate re-election.

"3. Each member of the Security Council shall have one representative."

"Article 27

"1. Each member of the Security Council shall have one vote.

"2. Decisions of the Security Council on procedural matters shall be made by an affirmative vote of nine members.

"3. Decisions of the Security Council on all other matters shall be made by an affirmative vote of nine members including the concurring votes of the permanent members; provided that, in decisions under Chapter VI, and under paragraph 3 of Article 52, a party to a dispute shall abstain from voting."

"Article 61

"1. The Economic and Social Council shall consist of twenty-seven Members of the United Nations elected by the General Assembly.

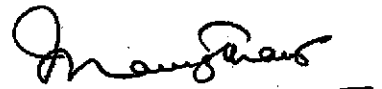
"2. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 3, nine members of the Economic and Social Council shall be elected each year for a term of three years. A retiring member shall be eligible for immediate re-election.

"3. At the first election after the increase in the membership of the Economic and Social Council from eighteen to twenty-seven members, in addition to the members elected in place of the six members whose term of office expires at the end of that year, nine additional members shall be elected. Of these nine additional members, the term of office of three members so elected shall expire at the end of one year, and of three other members at the end of two years, in accordance with arrangements made by the General Assembly.

"4. Each member of the Economic and Social Council shall have one representative."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, U THANT, Secretary-General of the United Nations, sign this Protocol in two original copies in the Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish languages, of which one shall be deposited in the archives of the Secretariat of the United Nations and the other transmitted to the Government of the United States of America as the depositary of the Charter of the United Nations. Copies of this Protocol shall be communicated to all Members of the United Nations.

DONE AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK, this thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five.



Secretary-General

A N N E X

TO THE PROTOCOL OF ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES 23, 27 AND 61 OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS 1991 A AND B (XVIII) OF 17 DECEMBER 1963

List of Members having deposited instruments of ratification of the above-mentioned amendments with the Secretary-General as at 31 August 1965:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Date of deposit</u>
Jamaica	12 March 1964
Thailand	23 March 1964
Algeria	26 March 1964
Ghana	4 May 1964
Tunisia	29 May 1964
Cameroon	25 June 1964
Ethiopia	22 July 1964
Central African Republic	6 August 1964
Jordan	7 August 1964
Gabon	11 August 1964
Upper Volta	11 August 1964
Trinidad and Tobago	18 August 1964
Guinea	19 August 1964
Togo	19 August 1964
New Zealand	26 August 1964
Libya	27 August 1964
Niger	8 September 1964
Canada	9 September 1964
India	10 September 1964
Liberia	21 September 1964
Mali	23 September 1964
Ivory Coast	2 October 1964
Austria	7 October 1964
Costa Rica	7 October 1964
United Republic of Tanzania	7 October 1964
Ireland	27 October 1964
Kenya	28 October 1964
Chad	2 November 1964
Iceland	6 November 1964
Morocco	9 November 1964
Philippines	9 November 1964
Ceylon	13 November 1964
Rwanda	17 November 1964
Iraq	25 November 1964
El Salvador	1 December 1964
Nepal	3 December 1964
Nigeria	5 December 1964
Albania	7 December 1964
Yugoslavia	9 December 1964
Madagascar	14 December 1964
Netherlands	14 December 1964
United Arab Republic	16 December 1964
Norway	17 December 1964
Sweden	18 December 1964
Cuba	22 December 1964
Brazil	23 December 1964
Kuwait	28 December 1964

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<u>Member</u>	<u>Date of deposit</u>
Poland	8 January 1965
Denmark	12 January 1965
Iran	12 January 1965
Bulgaria	13 January 1965
Finland	18 January 1965
Czechoslovakia	19 January 1965
Mauritania	29 January 1965
Romania	5 February 1965
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	10 February 1965
Uganda	10 February 1965
Hungary	23 February 1965
Syrian Arab Republic	24 February 1965
Afghanistan	25 February 1965
Mongolia	10 March 1965
Pakistan	25 March 1965
Sierra Leone	25 March 1965
Laos	20 April 1965
Senegal	23 April 1965
Zambia	28 April 1965
Belgium	29 April 1965
Mexico	5 May 1965
Sudan	7 May 1965
Israel	13 May 1965
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	17 May 1965
Malaysia	26 May 1965
Malawi	2 June 1965
Burma	3 June 1965
Japan	4 June 1965
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4 June 1965
Australia	9 June 1965
Saudi Arabia	17 June 1965
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	22 June 1965
Malta	23 June 1965
Turkey	1 July 1965
Congo (Brazzaville)	7 July 1965
Yemen	7 July 1965
Panama	27 July 1965
Greece	2 August 1965
China	2 August 1965
Spain	5 August 1965
Paraguay	17 August 1965
Guatemala	18 August 1965
Burundi	23 August 1965
France	24 August 1965
Italy	25 August 1965
Chile	31 August 1965
Ecuador	31 August 1965
United States of America	31 August 1965

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Total number of instruments deposited:	95
Membership in the United Nations as at 31 August 1965:	114
Number of ratifications required under Article 108 of the Charter of the United Nations to bring the amendments into force (two thirds of the Members of the United Nations, including all the permanent members of the Security Council):	76
The last of the instruments of ratification of the permanent members of the Security Council was deposited on:	31 August 1965
Date of entry into force of the amendments for all the Members of the United Nations:	31 August 1965