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## President: Mr. Salim Ahmed SALIM (United Republic of Tanzania)

#### **AGENDA ITEM 15**

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (continued\*):

- (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council
- 1. The PRESIDENT: This morning, the Assembly will resume the election of one non-permanent member of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning 1 January 1980. Members will recall that at the 47th plenary meeting on 26 October, the Assembly elected four non-permanent members of the Security Council. One seat remains to be filled by a candidate from the group of Latin American States.
- 2. In accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, we shall now proceed to the fourteenth ballot, which is the first of a series of three ballots restricted to Cuba and Colombia. The ballot papers are now being distributed. May I remind representatives that any ballot paper containing any name other than those of Cuba or Colombia will be declared invalid, since balloting is restricted to those two States.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Mardovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. Çelikkol (Turkey) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

3. The PRESIDENT: I propose now to suspend the meeting while the ballots are boing counted.

The meeting was suspended at 11.05 a.m. and resumed at 11.20 a.m.

4. The PRESIDENT: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers:

142

Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	142
Abstentions:	3
Number of members voting:	139
Required majority:	93
Number of votes obtained:	
Cuba	74
Colombia	65

5. The PRESIDENT: As neither of the two candidates obtained the required two-thirds majority, the General Assembly will continue the voting and will hold a second restricted ballot. As in the last ballot, the only countries whose names may be included on the ballot papers are Cuba and Colombia. Any papers containing the names of other countries will be declared invalid. The ballot papers will now be distributed.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Mardovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. Çelikkol (Turkey) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

6. The PRESIDENT: I propose now to suspend the meeting while the ballots are being counted.

The meeting was suspended at 11.30 a.m. and resumed at 11.45 a.m.

7. The PRESIDENT: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers:	148
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	148
Abstentions:	3
Number of members voting:	145
Required majority:	97
Number of votes obtained	

8. The PRESIDENT: As neither of the two candidates obtained the required two-thirds majority, the General Assembly will continue the voting and will hold a third restricted ballot. As in the last ballot, the only countries whose names may be included on the ballot papers are Cuba and Colombia. Any papers containing the names of other countries will be declared invalid. The ballot papers will now be distributed.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Mardovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. Çelikkol (Turkey) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

<sup>\*</sup> Resumed from the 48th meeting.

9. The PRESIDENT: I propose now to suspend the meeting while the ballots are being counted.

The meeting was suspended at 11.55 a.m. and resumed at 12.10 p.m.

10. The PRESIDENT: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers:	148
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	148
Abstentions:	3
Number of members voting:	145
Required majority:	97
Number of votes obtained:	
Cuba	79

Colombia......66

11. The PRESIDENT: Since the result of the third restricted ballot did not produce a candidate with the required two-thirds majority, the General Assembly will proceed to an unrestricted ballot in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure. In this unrestricted ballot, any Member State from the group of Latin American States may be a candidate for election except, of course, Bolivia and Jamaica. The ballot papers will now be distributed.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Mardovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. Çelikkol (Turkey) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

12. The PRESIDENT: I propose now to suspend the meeting while the ballot papers are being counted.

The meeting was suspended at 12.20 p.m. and resumed at 12.30 p.m.

13. The PRESIDENT: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers:	148
Invalid ballots:	1
Number of valid ballots:	147
Abstentions:	3
Number of members voting:	144
Required majority:	96
Number of votes obtained:	
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Cuba	78
Colombia	65
Saint Lucia	1

14. The PRESIDENT: In accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly will proceed to a second unrestricted ballot. As before, any Member State from the group of Latin American States may be a candidate for election, except, of course, Bolivia and Jamaica. The ballot papers will now be distributed.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Mardovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. Çelikkol (Turkey) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

15. The PRESIDENT: I propose now to suspend the meeting while the ballots are being counted.

The meeting was suspended at 12.40 p.m. and resumed at 12.50 p.m.

16. The PRESIDENT: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers:	147
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	147
Abstentions:	3
Number of members voting:	144
Required majority:	96
Number of votes obtained:	
Cuba	79
Colombia	64
Saint Lucia	

17. The PRESIDENT: Since the second in this series of unrestricted ballots proved inconclusive, we shall now proceed to the third unrestricted ballot. As before, in this unrestricted ballot any Member State from the group of Latin American States may be a candidate for election except, of course, Bolivia and Jamaica. The ballot papers will now be distributed.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Mardovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. Çelikkol (Turkey) acted as tellers.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

18. The PRESIDENT: I propose now to suspend the meeting while the ballots are being counted.

The meeting was suspended at 1.00 p.m. and resumed at 1.20 p.m.

19. The PRESIDENT: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers: 14 Invalid ballots: 14 Number of valid ballots: 14 Abstentions:
Number of members voting: 14
Required majority:
Number of votes obtained:
Cuba
Colombia62
Saint Lucia
Chile

20. The PRESIDENT: In view of the lateness of the hour and the inconclusive nature of the voting, I suggest that the General Assembly defer consideration of this item until the afternoon of Friday, 2 November. If I hear no objection, it will be so decided.

It was so decided.