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President:

Mr. de MARCO

(Malta)

- Election of the Officers of the Main Committees
- Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly
- Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: Letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences

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The meeting was called to order at 5.35 p.m.

ITEM 5 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEES

The President: I should like to inform members that the following representatives have been elected Chairmen of the seven Main Committees of the Assembly and are accordingly members of the General Committee for the forty-fifth session:

First Committee:	Mr. Jai Pratap Rana (Nepal)
Special Political Committee:	Mr. Peresi Karukubiro-Kamunanwire (Uganda)
Second Committee:	Mr. George Papadatos (Greece)
Third Committee:	Mr. Juan Somavia (Chile)
Fourth Committee:	Mr. Martin Adouki (Congo)
Fifth Committee:	Mr. Besley Maycock (Barbados)
Sixth Committee:	Mr. Václav Mikulka (Czechoslovakia)

I congratulate the Chairmen on their election.

ITEM 6 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The President: Pursuant to rule 31 of the rules of procedure, we shall now proceed to the election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly.

All members of the General Assembly are eligible in this election except those already represented in the General Committee, namely, those countries whose representatives have been elected to the presidency of the General Assembly or to the chairmanships of the Main Committees.

In accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 of the annex to resolution 33/138, the 21 Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session shall be elected according to the following pattern:

(The President)

- (a) Six representatives from African States;
- (b) Five representatives from Asian States;
- (c) One representative from an Eastern European State;
- (d) Three representatives from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) One representative from a Western European or other State;
- (f) Representatives of the five permanent members of the Security Council.

In accordance with paragraph 16 of annex VI to the rules of procedure, the election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly by secret ballot will be dispensed with when the number of candidates corresponds to the number of seats to be filled. In other words, whenever the number of candidates in a given region corresponds to the number of seats to be filled in that region, those candidates will be declared elected. We shall proceed accordingly.

I shall now read out the names of the candidates endorsed by the regional groups:

African States: Egypt, Ghana, Mauritius, Mozambique, Rwanda and Senegal;

Eastern European States: Yugoslavia;

Latin American and Caribbean States: Brazil, Honduras and Saint Lucia;

Western European and other States: Canada.

With regard to the candidatures of the Asian States, I now call on the representative of Sri Lanka in his capacity as Chairman of the Group of Asian States for this month.

Mr. Perera (Sri Lanka): As Chairman of the Asian Group for this month, I have great pleasure in announcing that we have secured, as late as last night, a clean slate for the candidacies of the five posts of Vice-President of the General Assembly. This was made possible by Yemen, the only endorsed candidate, taking the unprecedented step of withdrawing in order to facilitate a clean slate. This action, taken in the highest traditions reflecting the unity of our group, was

(Mr. Perera, Sri Lanka)

followed by the equally commendable and selfless withdrawal of Afghanistan. As a result, Mr. President, I have great pleasure in stating that the Asian Group has unanimously endorsed the candidacies of Cyprus, Fiji, Indonesia, Lebanon and the United Arab Emirates for the posts of Vice-President of this Assembly.

The President: In the light of the statement by the representative of Sri Lanka, I shall now read the names of the candidates from the Asian States: Cyprus, Fiji, Indonesia, Lebanon and the United Arab Emirates.

Since the number of candidates endorsed by the regional groups corresponds to the number of seats to be filled in each region, I declare those candidates elected, in addition to the representatives of the five permanent members of the Security Council.

The following States have therefore been elected Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly: Brazil, Canada, China, Cyprus, Egypt, Fiji, France, Ghana, Honduras, Indonesia, Lebanon, Mauritius, Mozambique, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Senegal, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Yugoslavia.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the States which have been elected Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly.

(The President)

The General Committee for the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly has now been fully constituted in accordance with rule 38 of the rules of procedure.

ITEM 8 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK: LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES (A/45/475)

The PRESIDENT: The Assembly will now turn its attention to document A/45/475, which contains a letter dated 30 August 1990 addressed to the President of the Assembly by the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences. As members are aware, the Assembly, in paragraph 7 of its resolution 40/243, decided that no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly should be permitted to meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly.

As indicated in the letter I have just mentioned, the Committee on Conferences has recommended that the General Assembly authorize the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to meet from 17 to 21 September 1990 and the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole for the Preparation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade to meet from 17 to 26 September 1990.

Bearing in mind that those dates overlap with the forty-fifth session of the Assembly, may I take it that the General Assembly adopts the recommendations of the Committee on Conferences?

It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 5.45 p.m.