5307th meeting
Monday, 21 November 2005, 3.25 p.m.
New York

President: Mr. Denisov ........................................... (Russian Federation)

Members:
Algeria .......................................................... Mr. Benmehidi
Argentina ....................................................... Mr. D’Alotto
Benin ............................................................. Mr. Idohou
Brazil ............................................................ Mr. Tarrisse da Fontoura
China ............................................................. Mr. Li Junhua
Denmark ......................................................... Ms. Løj
France ............................................................ Mr. De La Sablière
Greece ............................................................. Mrs. Papadopoulou
Japan ............................................................. Mr. Haneda
Philippines ...................................................... Mr. Mercado
Romania .......................................................... Mr. Dumitru
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland . . . . Sir Emyr Jones Parry
United Republic of Tanzania ................................. Mrs. Taj
United States of America ................................. Mr. Brencick

Agenda

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Letter dated 2 November 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2005/698)

Letter dated 7 November 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2005/706)
The meeting was called to order at 3.25 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (spoke in Russian): I should like to inform the Council that I have received letters from the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany and Italy, in which they request to be invited to participate in the consideration of the item on the Council’s agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite those representatives to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Prica (Bosnia and Herzegovina) took a seat at the Council table; Mr. Pleuger (Germany) and Mr. Spatafora (Italy) took the seats reserved for them at the side of the Council Chamber.

The President (spoke in Russian): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2005/727, which contains the text of a draft resolution. I should like to draw attention to minor changes to the twentieth preambular paragraph. With those changes, the paragraph reads as follows:

“Further welcoming tangible signs of Bosnia and Herzegovina’s progress towards the European Union, and, in particular, the decision by the EU to open negotiations with Bosnia and Herzegovina on a Stabilization and Association Agreement, and calling on the authorities in Bosnia and Herzegovina to implement in full their undertakings, including on police reform, as part of that process”.

Members of the Council also have before them document S/2005/698, which contains a letter dated 2 November 2005 from the Secretary-General transmitting the report on the activities of the European Union military mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Members of the Council also have before them document S/2005/706, which contains a letter dated 7 November 2005 from the Secretary-General transmitting the twenty-eighth report of the High Representative for the Implementation of the Peace Agreement on Bosnia and Herzegovina.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution, as orally revised. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:
Algeria, Argentina, Benin, Brazil, China, Denmark, France, Greece, Japan, Philippines, Romania, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America

The President (spoke in Russian): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution, as orally revised, has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1639 (2005).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 3.35 p.m.