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New York

President: Mr. Quinlan ......................... (Australia)

Members:
Argentina ........................................... Mr. Oyarzábal
Chad .................................................. Mr. Doungous
Chile ............................................... Mr. Olguín Cigarroa
China ................................................ Ms. Jiang Hua
France .............................................. Mr. Bertoux
Jordan ................................................ Mr. Al-Moumani
Lithuania ......................................... Mrs. Jakubonė
Luxembourg ..................................... Mr. Maes
Nigeria ............................................. Mr. Adamu
Republic of Korea ........................ Mr. Lee Kyung Chul
Russian Federation ......................... Mr. Leonidchenko
Rwanda .......................................... Mr. Nduhungirehe
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ... Ms. Mulvein
United States of America .................. Mr. Arbogast

Agenda

Election of five members of the International Court of Justice (S/2014/520, S/2014/521 and S/2014/522)

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The meeting was called to order at 3.55 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

Election of five members of the International Court of Justice (S/2014/520, S/2014/521 and S/2014/522)

The President: In accordance with Article 11 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, the Security Council will now proceed to hold this sixth meeting to elect a member of the International Court of Justice by further ballot for the one seat that remains to be filled.

May I take it that the Council is now ready to proceed with the election of the one remaining member of the International Court of Justice?

It is so decided.

The Council will now proceed to a new ballot. I request the Conference Officer to distribute the ballot papers.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Gombo (Chad) and Mr. Cabezas (Chile) acted as tellers.

The President: Members of the Council should place an “X” in the box next to the name of the one candidate for whom they wish to vote. I remind members of the Council that only those candidates whose names appear on the ballot papers are eligible for election. Ballots containing votes for more than one candidate will be considered invalid.

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The President: I take it that all the members of the Council have now voted and I ask the Conference Officer to collect the ballot papers.

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The President: All the ballot papers have been collected. I should like to remind Council members that, in accordance with the established practice, the ballots will not be counted until it has been verified that the ballot papers in the General Assembly have also been collected. The Council will remain in session pending the receipt of that information.

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The President: The result of the voting is as follows:

Number of ballot papers: 15
Number of invalid ballots: 0
Number of valid ballots: 15
Number of abstentions: 0
Required majority: 8
Number of votes obtained:
Ms. Susana Ruiz Cerutti 9
Mr. Patrick Lipton Robinson 6

Accordingly, Ms. Susana Ruiz Cerutti has received the required majority of votes in the Security Council. I have communicated the result of the voting to the President of the General Assembly in writing.

I should like to inform the Council that I have received from the President of the General Assembly the following letter:

“I have the honour to inform you that, at the 44th plenary meeting of the General Assembly, held today for the purpose of electing the one remaining seat of the five members of the International Court of Justice, the following candidate obtained an absolute majority of votes in the General Assembly: Mr. Patrick Lipton Robinson.”

Accordingly, no candidate has received the required absolute majority of votes both in the Council and in the General Assembly.

As no candidate has received the required absolute majority of votes in both the Council and the General Assembly, in accordance with Article 11 of the Statute of the Court, the Council will proceed to hold a seventh meeting to elect one candidate by further ballot for the one seat remaining to be filled.

Accordingly, I shall adjourn this meeting of the Security Council and I shall immediately call to order the seventh meeting of the Security Council to elect one candidate by further ballot, after a brief recess to allow for the preparation of the new ballots.

The meeting rose at 4.30 p.m.