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New York

President: Mr. Cardi ........................................ (Italy)

Members: Bolivia (Plurinational State of) .................... Mr. Llorentty Solíz
China ......................................................... Mr. Li Yongsheng
Egypt ......................................................... Mr. Aboulatta
Ethiopia .................................................... Mr. Alemu
France ....................................................... Mr. Melki
Japan ......................................................... Mr. Akahori
Kazakhstan ................................................. Mr. Umarov
Russian Federation ........................................ Mr. Musikhin
Senegal ...................................................... Mr. Barro
Sweden ...................................................... Mr. Lundkvist
Ukraine ...................................................... Mr. Fesko
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Mr. Allen
United States of America ................................. Mr. Simonoff
Uruguay ..................................................... Mr. Bermúdez

Agenda


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The meeting was called to order at 5.40 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.


The President: In accordance with Article 11 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, the Council will now hold a seventh meeting to elect one member of the International Court of Justice, by further ballots for the one seat remaining to be filled.

May I take that the Council is now ready to proceed to the vote?

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, Ms. Melikbekyan (Russian Federation) and Mr. Bondiuk (Ukraine) acted as tellers.

The President: Members of the Council should place an “X” in the box next to the names of the one candidate for whom they wish to vote. I would remind members of the Council that only those candidates whose names appear on the ballot are eligible for election, and that any ballot paper containing votes for more than one name 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: 1
- Required majority: 8
- Number of votes obtained:
  - Mr. Dalveer Bhandari: 5
  - Mr. Christopher Greenwood: 9

Mr. Christopher Greenwood has accordingly 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 members of the Council that I have just received from the President of the General Assembly the following letter:

“I have the honour to inform you that, at the 53rd plenary meeting of the General Assembly, held today for the purpose of electing the one remaining member of the International Court of Justice, Mr. Dalveer Bhandari obtained an absolute majority of votes in the General Assembly.”

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

In view of the late hour, I propose that the Security Council adjourn for the evening. The date of the next meeting to fill the remaining vacancy will be announced in due course and in consultation with the President of the General Assembly.

The meeting rose at 6.10 p.m.