DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

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Held at Headquarters, New York
on Friday, 11 May 1984, at 10.30 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. GBEHO (Ghana)

Election of officers of the Disarmament Commission (continued)

Organization of work

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The meeting was called to order at 11 a.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE DISARMAMENT COMMISSION (continued)

The CHAIRMAN: As members will no doubt recall, at our previous plenary meetings we managed to settle most of the organization of work for this session, except, of course, for completion of the Bureau.

As a result of further consultations, I am now happy to report that the African Group has nominated the representative of the Sudan as candidate for Vice-Chairman. If I hear no objection, I shall take it that the Commission wishes to elect the representative of the Sudan as Vice-Chairman by acclamation.

It was so decided.

ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The CHAIRMAN: In connection with the organization of work for next week, a weekly time-table for our work has been circulated in informal working paper No. 2. The time-table is indicative in nature and subject to change in accordance with the need and the work of the various subsidiary bodies.

According to the overall plan, a plenary meeting is scheduled for Friday, 18 May, for the purpose of hearing progress reports from the various Working Groups on the work done during the week and also to afford delegations an opportunity to make statements in this regard.

As far as informal working paper No. 2 is concerned, we shall reissue it next Monday, in order to preserve the pairing of Working Groups we have decided upon and as it will be implemented today. In other words, today Working Groups 2 and 3 will be meeting in the morning, and 1 and 4 in the afternoon. We shall try to preserve this pairing of Working Groups so as to make it easier for smaller delegations that have to allocate Working Groups to their members. That is not the case with the current working paper, and it will therefore be reissued on Monday in a manner preserving this pattern of pairing. As much as possible, we shall also preserve the same conference rooms for the various Working Groups, so as to make it possible for documents to remain in those rooms for the use of delegations.

In addition, the daily programmes of work will be published in the Journal, and I recommend that members peruse it every morning.

Does any member wish to comment?
Mr. TINCA (Romania): On 9 April this year a request of the Romanian Permanent Mission - an appeal of the Grand National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Romania - was distributed as an official document of the United Nations, under the symbol A/39/175.

As this appeal relates closely to item 4 of our agenda, I should like, through you, Mr. Chairman, to ask the Secretariat to take the necessary measures to make this document available to delegations during this session of the Commission.

The CHAIRMAN: Since no other member wishes to speak at this time, I shall now adjourn the meeting.

The meeting rose at 11.10 a.m.