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The meeting was called to order at 3.40 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 109: REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE HOST COUNTRY (A/31/26; A/C.6/31/6) (continued)

1. <u>Mr. O'LANYER</u> (France) said that, as a member of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, his delegation had shared the concern of the various missions which had suffered acts of violence, some of which had been extremely serious, and had supported them in their requests to the authorities to the host country to take the most effective measures to prevent such acts and to bring the culprits to justice. Such acts were detrimental to the proper functioning of missions and affected the diplomatic community as a whole.

2. The report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (A/31/26) had been adopted by consensus by all members of that Committee. The recommendations contained in chapter IV of the report had been adopted only after lengthy negotiations among the various parties concerned. The report was detailed, complete and precise, and it seemed not only pointless but inadvisable to add to it a resolution whose terms could go beyond what was already stated, thereby unbalancing the compromise accepted by all parties. Nor should all the acts of violence be accorded a gravity which they did not warrant. The report already gave the erroneous impression that the climate of violence was a permanent phenomenon and was directed against all missions, whereas in reality such acts occurred only infrequently and sporadically.

3. Consequently, his delegation would support a resolution which took account of those observations and which included all the recommendations contained in the report, in particular that contained in paragraph 65, subparagraph (1). Naturally, his delegation could not accept a resolution which did not take account of all the efforts made in the Committee on Relations with the Host Country to conciliate and to find a fair solution.

4. <u>Mr. GANA</u> (Tunisia) said that the question of relations with the host country was of paramount importance to his delegation, particularly since the Tunisian Mission had recently been the victim of a cowardly bomb attack. On the night of 23 October 1976, a group of individuals had placed in the entrance of the Mission an explosive device which had set fire to the building. Fortunately, it had been possible to bring the fire under control. Nevertheless, since there had been people in the building, the consequences could have been very serious. A Zionist terrorist organization calling itself "Save Our Israeli Land" had claimed responsibility for the act, and its motives had been explained in an article in The New York Times.

5. He did not know what measures the host country authorities had taken to find and prosecute those responsible, or what results had been achieved. His delegation reserved the right to revert to the matter later when information on the action taken by the United States authorities was made available. He took note of the reassuring statement made by the representative of the United States and expressed the hope that the criminals involved would be punished.

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6. His delegation was prepared to support the recommendations of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and to continue its mandate.

7. The CHAIRMAN announced that the Committee had concluded its general debate on the item.

AGENDA ITEM 115: CONSOLIDATION AND PROGRESSIVE EVOLUTION OF THE NORMS AND PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LAW (A/31/172; A/C.6/31/L.7, L.18)

8. <u>The CHAIRMAN</u> said that, following consultations, it had been proposed that, due to lack of time, consideration of the item should be deferred until the thirty-second session of the General Assembly and that the Sixth Committee should recommend to the General Assembly the inclusion of the item in the provisional agenda of the thirty-second session. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee agreed to that proposal.

9. It was so decided.

AGENDA ITEM 114: RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE REPRESENTATION OF STATES IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (A/10141):

- (a) RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE OBSERVER STATUS OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND/OR BY THE LEAGUE OF ARAB STATES;
- (b) RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPLICATION OF THE CONVENTION IN FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

10. The CHAIRMAN said that, following consultations, it had been proposed that, due to lack of time, consideration of the item should be deferred until the thirty-second session of the General Assembly and that the Sixth Committee should recommend to the General Assembly the inclusion of the item in the provisional agenda for that session.

11. <u>Mr. HAMMAD</u> (United Arab Emirates) said that he had no objection to the procedure described by the Chairman. However, he suggested that, since the item had already been deferred from the thirtieth to the thirty-first session, it should be given priority at the thirty-second session.

12. The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee could not decide on the order of priority of items for the thirty-second session at the current time.

13. If he heard no objection, he would take it that the Committee agreed to the procedure which he had just described.

14. It was so decided.

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15. The CHAIRMAN announced that Yugoslavia and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic had become sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/31/L.16/Rev.1.

The meeting rose at 4 p.m.