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## 2430th MEETING

Held in New York on Wednesday, 6 April 1983, at 11 a.m.

*President:* Mrs. Jeane J. KIRKPATRICK  
(United States of America).

*Present:* The representatives of the following States: China, France, Guyana, Jordan, Malta, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Poland, Togo, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

### Provisional agenda (S/Agenda/2430)

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Letter dated 16 March 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/15643).

*The meeting was called to order at 1.40 p.m.*

### Expression of thanks to the retiring President

1. The PRESIDENT: At this, the first meeting of the Security Council for the month of April, I should like, on behalf of the Council, to pay a tribute to the President for the month of March, Sir John Thomson, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations, for the great skill and elegance with which he conducted the business of the Council during that month.

### Adoption of the agenda

*The agenda was adopted.*

Letter dated 16 March 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/15643)

2. The PRESIDENT: In accordance with the decisions taken at previous meetings on this item [2419th 2428th and 2429th meetings], I invite the representatives of Chad and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to take places at the Council table; I invite the representatives of Benin, Democratic Yemen, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ivory Coast, Niger, Senegal, Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic and the United Republic of Cameroon to take the places reserved for them at the side of the Council chamber.

*At the invitation of the President, Mr. Barma (Chad) and Mr. Treiki (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya) took places at the*

*Council table; Mr. Soglo (Benin), Mr. Al-Alfi (Democratic Yemen), Mr. Khalil (Egypt), Mr. Ibrahim (Ethiopia), Mr. Boule (Gabon), Mr. Hayford (Ghana), Mr. Coumbassa (Guinea), Mr. Rajaie-Khorassani (Islamic Republic of Iran), Mr. Essy (Ivory Coast), Mr. Oumarou (Niger), Mr. Sarré (Senegal), Mr. Abdalla (Sudan), Mr. El-Fattal (Syrian Arab Republic) and Mrs. Mairie (United Republic of Cameroon) took the places reserved for them at the side of the Council chamber.*

3. The PRESIDENT: Members of the Council have before them document S/15672, which contains the text of a draft resolution submitted by Chad.

4. In informal consultations, members of the Council have already heard the statement by the representative of Jordan. I shall now, following discussions in informal consultations and the consensus arrived at therein, make the following statement on behalf of members of the Council:

"Following consultations with the members of the Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on their behalf:

'The Security Council has heard and taken note of the statements made by the Foreign Minister of Chad, and by the representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, in the debate on the letter dated 16 March 1983 from the representative of Chad.

'The members of the Council express their concern that the differences between Chad and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya should not deteriorate and therefore call on the parties to settle these differences without undue delay and by peaceful means, on the basis of the relevant principles of the Charter of the United Nations, and the Charter of the Organization of African Unity, which demand respect for political independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity.

'In this connection, the members of the Council have taken note with appreciation of the willingness expressed by both parties to discuss their differences and to resolve them peacefully and urge both sides to refrain from any actions which could aggravate the current situation.

'The members of the Council also note that the Organization of African Unity, the regional

organization, is already seized of this matter. They appeal to both parties to make the fullest use of the mechanism available within the regional organization for the peaceful settlement of disputes, including the Good Offices Committee established by the Organization of African Unity and of those provided in Article 33 of the Charter of the United Nations.'"

5. The Council has thus completed this stage of its consideration of the agenda item. The President will follow the development of the situation and will be in touch with interested parties in the following days.

6. Mr. OVINNIKOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) (*interpretation from Russian*): Madam President, the text of the declaration which you have just read out and which is available to all members of the Council was agreed upon. The last part of your statement, which was made after the quotation marks of the text were closed, was not agreed upon among members of the Council. Furthermore, it is in fact contrary to the understanding of most members of the Council. For that reason, this latter part of your statement, Madam, is the viewpoint of the United States delegation.

7. The PRESIDENT: I would point out to the representative of the Soviet Union that the last statement was made in my capacity as President of the Council.

8. The representative of Jordan made the statement in the consultations as the co-ordinator of the non-aligned members of the Council for this month.

9. I now call on the representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

10. Mr. TREIKI (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya) (*interpretation from Arabic*): I knew that the United States representative would not adhere to moral rules or to the norms by which the Council has always been guided. First, as President of the Council, when the United States representative summoned the Chadian representative, she should have summoned the Libyan representative as well. However, she did not do so, in disregard of the most rudimentary rules of objectivity. Secondly, in a conversation with the head of the Jordanian delegation,

Chairman of the Group of Non-Aligned Countries for this month, I mentioned to him that the United States representative would not respect the rules of the presidency and would add words of her own, which she actually did. I asked him to contact her to make sure that she would adhere to the text agreed to. He promised me that he would convey that to her. However, she did not accede to the request. I wish to put on record that Libya does not recognize what has been stated by the United States representative beyond the text of the statement. We shall never deal with her, because she lacks objectivity and impartiality.

11. The United States resort to pressure tactics, the summoning of ambassadors and the bringing of pressure to bear in various capitals is a matter well known to all. The United States representative should at least have emulated her predecessor's efforts and objectivity. I wish to put on record here my appreciation and thanks to the representative of the United Kingdom for his objectivity. I should have liked to see at least the same objectivity displayed by the United States representative.

12. I reiterate and emphasize that the last paragraph read out by the United States representative as President of the Council is not accepted by my country. My country will never deal with her and will recognize only what has been adopted by the Council.

13. The PRESIDENT: I might say for the record that the President of the Security Council took no initiative to convene a meeting with the representative of Chad. The representative of Chad in fact took an initiative to which the President responded. The President would of course make it a practice to respond promptly and courteously to all initiatives of all Members of the United Nations during our period in the occupancy of this important office.

14. As regards the final statement with which I followed the agreed-upon consensus, it conforms with the provisional rules of procedure of the Council concerning agenda items and to the practices of the presidency.

*The meeting rose at 1.50 p.m.*

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