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NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIXTH MEETINGHeld at Headquarters, New York,  
on Thursday, 15 November 1990, at 6.45 p.m.

President: Mr. PICKERING (United States of America)

<u>Members:</u> Canada	Mr. FORTIER
China	Mr. WANG Guangya
Colombia	Mr. PEÑALOSA
Côte d'Ivoire	Mr. ANET
Cuba	Mr. ALARCON de QUESADA
Ethiopia	Mr. GOSHU
Finland	Mr. TÖRNUDD
France	Mr. BLANC
Malaysia	Mr. RAZALI
Romania	Mr. MUNTEANU
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	Mr. LOZINSKY
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sir David HANNAY
Yemen	Mr. AL-ASHTAL
Zaire	Mr. BAGBENI ADEITO NZENGEYA

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The meeting was called to order at 6.45 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

ELECTION OF FIVE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (S/21823, S/21824 and Add.1 and 2, S/21824/Rev.1 and S/21825)

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

I would remind members of the Council that only those candidates whose names appear on the ballot paper are eligible for election and ballots containing votes for more than one candidate will be considered invalid.

I invite the tellers to take their seats at the tables behind the Council table.

(The President)

I should like to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that the Permanent Representative of Togo to the United Nations has informed the General Assembly that the national group of Togo has decided to withdraw its nomination of Mr. Atsu-Koffi Amega for the election to the International Court of Justice. Since Mr. Amega was nominated by the national group of Togo only, his name therefore is removed from the ballot papers.

Furthermore, I have been requested to announce that the candidature of Mr. Samuel K. B. Asante of Ghana has been withdrawn.

I take it that the Council is now ready to proceed to the vote.

It is so decided.

I shall now ask the Conference Officer to distribute the ballots.

Members of the Council should place an "X" in the box next to the name of the candidate for whom they wish to vote.

A vote was taken by secret ballot.

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The PRESIDENT: I take it that all the members of the Council have now marked their ballots. I shall now ask the Conference Officer to collect the ballots.

All the ballots have been collected. I should like to remind the Council that the ballots will not be counted until it has been verified that the ballot papers in the General Assembly have been collected.

The Council will remain in session as we await receipt of that information.

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The PRESIDENT: I have now been informed that the ballot papers have been collected in the General Assembly.

The counting of the ballots in the Security Council will now begin. The tellers will now count the ballots.

There will be two independent countings of ballots by each of the tellers.

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

<u>Number of ballot papers:</u>	15
<u>Number of invalid ballots:</u>	0
<u>Number of valid ballots:</u>	15
<u>Required majority:</u>	8
<u>Number of votes obtained:</u>	
Mr. Raymond Ranjeva (Madagascar)	11
Mr. Seydou Madani Sy (Senegal)	4

The PRESIDENT: Mr. Raymond Ranjeva has received the required majority of votes in the Security Council.

I shall communicate the result of the voting to the President of the General Assembly. I request the Council to remain in session while we wait for the President of the General Assembly to inform the Council of the result of the voting in the Assembly.

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The PRESIDENT: 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 39th plenary meeting of the General Assembly held today for the purpose of electing five members of the International Court of Justice, the following candidate obtained an absolute majority of votes in the General Assembly: Raymond Ranjeva."

As both the Security Council and the General Assembly have agreed on the same candidate, the distinguished jurist, Mr. Raymond Ranjeva, has therefore been elected a member of the International Court of Justice for a term of office of nine years beginning on 6 February 1991. I should like to congratulate him and wish him every success in the high office to which he has been elected.

I should also like to thank the tellers for their assistance.

The Security Council has thus concluded its business for this meeting.

The meeting rose at 7.40 p.m.