

Security Council

Seventy-second year

Provisional

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President: Mr. Cardi.... (Italy) Members: Mr. Llorentty Soliz Mr. Li Yongsheng China..... Egypt.... Mr. Aboulatta Ethiopia.... Mr. Alemu Mrs. Gueguen Mr. Bessho Kazakhstan Mr. Umarov Mr. Musikhin Mr. Seck Mr. Lundkvist Mr. Yelchenko United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland . . Mr. Hickey United States of America..... Mr. Simonoff Uruguay.... Mr. Rosselli

Agenda

Election of five members of the International Court of Justice (S/2017/619, S/2017/620, S/2017/620/Add.1 and S/2017/621)

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The meeting resumed at 4.10 p.m.

The President: Members will recall that in the third ballot, more than five candidates obtained the absolute majority. The Council will therefore now proceed to a new vote on all the candidates, as noted in paragraph 13 of the Secretary-General's memorandum contained in document S/2017/619.

I should like to remind members of the Council that each elector may vote for not more than five candidates and that only the candidates whose names appear on the ballot papers are eligible. Any ballot paper containing votes for more than five candidates will be invalid.

May I take it that the Council is now ready to proceed with the election of five members of the International Court of Justice?

It is so decided.

I request the Conference Officer to distribute the ballot papers.

Members of the Council should place an "X" in the boxes next to the names of the five candidates for whom they wish to vote.

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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: I wish to inform members that the voting in the Security Council was conclusive, but that the voting in the General Assembly was not. The Council will therefore wait for the balloting process in the General Assembly to be completed. As soon as I receive from the President of the General Assembly the names of the five candidates who received the required majority, I shall announce the full results of the voting in the Council and the Assembly. 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:	0
Required majority:	8
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Ronny Abraham	15
Mr. Dalveer Bhandari	7
Mr. Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade	10
Mr. Christopher Greenwood	12
Mr. Nawaf Salam	12
Mr. Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf	10

Five candidates obtained the required majority in the Security Council. Accordingly, the following candidates received the required majority of votes in the Security Council: Mr. Ronny Abraham, Mr. Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade, Mr. Christopher Greenwood, Mr. Nawaf Salam and Mr. Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf. 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 44th plenary meeting of the General Assembly, held today for the purpose of electing five members of the International Court of Justice, the following candidates obtained an absolute majority of votes in the General Assembly: Mr. Ronny Abraham, Mr. Dalveer Bhandari, Mr. Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade, Mr. Nawaf Salam and Mr. Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf."

As both the Security Council and the General Assembly have agreed on the following candidates, Mr. Ronny Abraham, Mr. Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade, Mr. Nawaf Salam and Mr. Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, they have been elected as members of the International Court of Justice for a term of office of nine years, beginning on 6 February 2018. I should like to congratulate them and wish them every success in the high office to which they have been elected.

As a result of the voting that has taken place in the Security Council and the General Assembly, four members of the Court have been duly elected. In accordance with Article 11 of the Statute of the Court,

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the Council will proceed to hold a second meeting to elect one candidate by further ballots for the one seat remaining to be filled. Accordingly, I shall adjourn the current meeting of the Security Council and I shall immediately call to order the second meeting.

The meeting rose at 6.05 p.m.

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