Security Council
Fifty-fourth Year
3998th Meeting
Friday, 7 May 1999, 12.15 p.m.
New York

President: Mr. Dangue Réwaka ................................. (Gabon)

Members: Argentina ........................................... Mr. Petrella
Bahrain ...................................................... Mr. Buallay
Brazil ....................................................... Mr. Cordeiro
Canada ....................................................... Mr. Fowler
China ......................................................... Mr. Qin Huasun
France ......................................................... Mr. Dejammet
Gambia ......................................................... Mr. Faal
Malaysia ....................................................... Mr. Rastam
Namibia ......................................................... Mr. Andjaba
Netherlands .................................................... Mr. van Walsum
Russian Federation .............................. Mr. Granovsky
Slovenia ......................................................... Mr. Türk
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ........ Sir Jeremy Greenstock
United States of America ............................... Ms. Soderberg

Agenda

The situation in Timor

Report of the Secretary-General (S/1999/513)
The meeting was called to order at 12.15 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (spoke in French): I should like to inform the Council that I have received letters from the representatives of Indonesia and Portugal, in which they request to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council’s agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite those representatives to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Wibisono (Indonesia) and Mr. Monteiro (Portugal) took seats at the Council table.

The President (spoke in French): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them the report of the Secretary-General on the question of East Timor, document S/1999/513. Members of the Council also have before them document S/1999/520, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council’s prior consultations.

It is my understanding that the Security Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution (S/1999/520) before it. If I hear no objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Argentina, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Gabon, Gambia, Malaysia, Namibia, Netherlands, Russian Federation, Slovenia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President (spoke in French): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1236 (1999).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The meeting rose at 12.20 p.m.