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 UKMIS GENEVA, QUITO, PANAMA CITY, BUENOS AIRES, LIMA, GEORGETOWN,  
 PORT LOUIS, MANILA.

MIPT: ELECTION OF UN SECRETARY GENERAL.

1. THE COUNCIL MET IN RESTRICTED INFORMAL SESSION THIS MORNING,  
 WITHOUT SECRETARIAT, INTERPRETERS OR MICROPHONES. OTUNNU WAS ABLE  
 TO PROCEED STRAIGHT TO THE INFORMAL SOUNDINGS.

2. ONE PIECE OF PAPER, HEADED QUOTE DISCOURAGEMENT OF CANDIDATES  
 UNQUOTE WAS HANDED TO EACH OF THE PERMANENT MEMBERS AND ANOTHER  
 PIECE OF PAPER, HEADED QUOTE ENCOURAGEMENT FOR CANDIDATES UNQUOTE,  
 TO ALL FIFTEEN MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. AFTER THESE HAD BEEN MARKED  
 AND COLLECTED, OTUNNU ANNOUNCED THE RESULTS TO THE COUNCIL. THE  
 QUOTE DISCOURAGEMENT UNQUOTE VOTES RECEIVED BY THE CANDIDATES AS  
 FOLLOWS:

SADRUDDIN	1
ROSEMENA MONROY	4
ILLUECA	4
ORTIZ DE ROSAS	2
PEREZ DE CUELLAR	-
QUIJANO-CABALLERO	4
RAMPHAL	3
RAMPHUL	4
SALAS	4

IT WAS EASY TO WORK OUT THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD DISCOURAGED EVERYONE  
 EXCEPT PEREZ DE CUELLAR, THE CHINESE HAD DISCOURAGED NO ONE, THE  
 FRENCH HAD DISCOURAGED EVERYONE EXCEPT SADRUDDIN AND PEREZ DE  
 CUELLAR, THE AMERICANS EVERYONE EXCEPT SADRUDDIN, ORTIZ DE ROSAS  
 AND PEREZ DE CUELLAR AND WE EVERYONE EXCEPT THOSE THREE AND  
 RAMPHAL.

3. THE RESULTS OF THE QUOTE ENCOURAGEMENT UNQUOTE EXERCISE WERE AS  
 FOLLOWS:

SADRUDDIN	9
ROSEMENA MONROY	2
ILLUECA	6
ORTIZ DE ROSAS	7



PEREZ DE CUELLAR	8
QUIJANO-CABALLERO	0
RAMPHAL	4
RAMPHUL	0
SALAS	3

4. THE INFORMAL MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED WHILE OTUNNU COMMUNICATED THESE RESULTS TO THE CANDIDATES. HE HAD TOLD ME BEFOREHAND THAT EACH CANDIDATE WOULD BE TOLD ONLY THE RESULT HE HAD ACHIEVED: OTUNNU WOULD DECLINE TO REVEAL HOW OTHER CANDIDATES HAD FARED. ILLUECA AND RAMPHUL DECIDED TO WITHDRAW AT THIS STAGE. OTUNNU THEN PROPOSED THAT WE SHOULD PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO FORMAL BALLOTING ON THE REMAINING SEVEN, EVEN THOUGH HE HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO REACH QUIJANO-CABALLERO AND SALAS. HE URGED THE COUNCIL THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO PRESS ON: IF WE DELAYED THERE WOULD BE A WAVE OF SPECULATION ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE INFORMAL SOUNDINGS. IN SPITE OF MISGIVINGS ON THE PART OF DORR (IRELAND) THIS WAS AGREED.

5. THE RESULTS OF THE FIRST (AND FINAL) BALLOT WERE AS FOLLOWS (P M = PERMANENT MEMBER):

	YES	NO	ABSTENTION
SADRUDDIN			
PM'S	4	1	-
NON PM'S	5	1	4
TOTAL	9	2	4
AROSEMENA-MONROY			
PM'S	-	3	2
NON PM'S	1	5	4
TOTAL	1	8	6
ORTIZ DE ROSAS			
PM'S	2	1	2
NON PM'S	4	2	4
TOTAL	6	3	6
PEREZ DE CUELLAR			
PM'S	4	-	1
NON PM'S	6	1	3
TOTAL	10	1	4
QUIJANO-CABALLERO			
PM'S	-	3	2
NON PM'S	-	7	3
TOTAL	-	10	5



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RAMPHAL			
PM'S	1	1	3
NON PM'S	3	2	5
TOTAL	4	3	8
SALAS			
PM'S	1	3	1
NON PM'S	2	5	3
TOTAL	3	8	4

6. PEREZ DE CUELLAR THUS WON IN THE FIRST BALLOT (17TH IN THE SERIES OVERALL). THE COUNCIL IMMEDIATELY ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT HE BE APPOINTED SECRETARY GENERAL FOR FIVE YEARS FROM 1 JANUARY 1982.

7. SEE MIFT.

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