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Chairman: Mr. Politi. (Italy)

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The meeting was called to order at 5.50 p.m.

Agenda item 164: Measures to eliminate international terrorism (*continued*) (A/C.6/55/L.17)

1. **Mr. Vamos-Goldman** (Canada) recalled that at the previous meeting, consultations had not led to a consensus on a draft resolution on measures to eliminate international terrorism. The draft currently before the Commission (A/C.6/55/L.17) was a procedural text; in view of the importance of its content, consensus was essential.

2. Intensive consultations had been held over the previous days and several amendments had been submitted, as follows: in the second preambular paragraph in the English text, the word “relevant” should be deleted; at the end of the seventh preambular paragraph, the phrase “in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, international law and the relevant international conventions” should be added; at the end of the tenth preambular paragraph, the words “and other relevant initiatives” should be added; in paragraph 3, after “in accordance with” and before “the relevant provisions”, the phrase “the Charter of the United Nations and” should be added. Several delegations and regional groups had also expressed reservations concerning some elements of paragraph 2.

3. The goal, namely, to reach agreement on all those amendments, had not been attained. He asked the members of the Committee to decide whether the effort should be pursued or whether it was preferable to stop there.

4. **The Chairman** said that it was extremely important to reach consensus. General agreement still seemed possible and consultations should continue towards that end.

The meeting rose at 6.15 p.m.