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The meeting was called to order at 6.15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 123: PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-1995 (continued)

Law of the sea (A/C.5/48/L.74)

- 1. <u>Mr. MERIFIELD</u> (Canada) introduced draft decision A/C.5/48/L.74 submitted by the Chairman and proposed a number of amendments which would better reflect the consensus achieved in the Committee on the question. At the end of the first paragraph the word "decides" should be replaced by the phrase "informs the General Assembly that". Subparagraph (a) would then begin: "Should it adopt draft resolution ...". Lastly, for greater clarity, subparagraph (b) should read "The Fifth Committee would revert to ..." rather than "To revert to ...".
- 2. As the programme budget implications of the resolution were fairly uncertain, the Committee had decided to recommend to the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/48/L.60, it should bear in mind certain limits on additional appropriations. On behalf of the Chairman, he proposed that the draft decision should be adopted without a vote.
- 3. The CHAIRMAN said she would take it that the Committee wished to adopt draft decision A/C.5/48/L.74, as amended, without a vote.
- 4. The draft decision contained in document A/C.5/48/L.74 was adopted.

United Nations telecommunications system (A/C.5/48/L.75)

- 5. Ms. ROTHEISER (Austria), who had conducted the informal consultations on the question, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/48/L.75, which reflected the consensus achieved on the documents submitted. She recommended that it should be adopted without a vote.
- 6. <u>The CHAIRMAN</u> said she would take it that the Committee wished to adopt the draft resolution introduced by the Austrian representative.
- 7. The draft resolution contained in document A/C.5/48/L.75 was adopted.

Integrated Management Information System project (A/C.5/48/L.76)

8. The CHAIRMAN introduced draft decision A/C.5/48/L.76 and said that it was a provisional decision pending a detailed consideration by the General Assembly of the sixth progress report of the Secretary-General on the subject (A/C.5/48/12/Add.1). In taking that decision, the General Assembly would allow the Secretary-General to continue to take the measures necessary to ensure the implementation of the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) project. In paragraph 2 of the draft decision it would request the Board of Auditors to conduct a special audit of the IMIS project. It was the Committee's understanding that the Board of Auditors had already completed most of the work and that it would report thereon in its report for the biennium ending 31 December 1993.

(<u>The Chairman</u>)

- 9. She took it that the Committee wished to adopt the draft decision contained in document A/C.5/48/L.76 without a vote.
- 10. The draft decision contained in document A/C.5/48/L.76 was adopted.
- 11. <u>The CHAIRMAN</u> said that the Committee had concluded the current phase of its consideration of agenda item 123 and requested the Rapporteur to report directly thereon to the General Assembly.

The meeting rose at 6.35 p.m.