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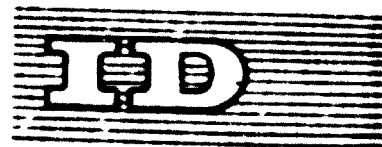
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SUMMARY RECORD OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH MEETING

Held at the Neue Hofburg, Vienna
on Tuesday, 8 June 1971, at 9.35 p.m.

President: Mr. ASANTE (Ghana)

Rapporteur: Mr. HARS (Hungary)

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RESUMPTION OF THE FIFTH SESSION

1. The PRESIDENT declared open the second part of the fifth session of the Board.
2. He recalled that the purpose of the meeting was to consider whether any questions arising from the Special Conference required immediate attention.
3. It was agreed that no immediate action was called for.

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE FIFTH SESSION (continued)

4. Mr. HARS (Hungary), Rapporteur, informed the Board that two minor questions remained to be settled in connexion with the completion of the report. Firstly, he had been requested by the representative of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) to insert the statement made on behalf of that Organisation in the appropriate section of the report. Secondly, and in conformity with the decision taken at the one hundred and fifteenth meeting, he had prepared the section of the report which dealt with that meeting, in consultation with the secretariat and with representatives of the different geographical groupings. With the agreement of the Board, he would incorporate that section in the final report.
5. It was so agreed.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

6. Mr. CASILLI d'ARAGONA (Italy) said that congratulatory statements in connexion with the Special Conference would not be complete without reference to the leadership of the President of the Industrial Development Board, who had also played a no mean part in ensuring that the results achieved were the best that could have been hoped for.
7. The PRESIDENT said that some of the delegations to the Special Conference had arrived with great hopes for its success, while others had been more sceptical. The product of their deliberations was, nevertheless, a consensus, and the charting of a course, however imperfect, towards the future. That course must be adhered to, and every effort must be made to translate into realities the agreements that had been reached. Much could be learned from mistakes as well as from successes, not only

in UNIDO's conferences but also in others, and he referred particularly to UNCTAD. There was merit in slow, sure progress; and in acknowledging that the sooner an attempt was made to reach a compromise, the less imperfect would be the ultimate agreements. Thanking his colleagues for their unfailing courtesy and confidence, the secretariat for its untiring assistance under conditions of considerable strain, and the people and Government of Austria for their most generous hospitality, he declared the fifth session of the Industrial Development Board closed.

The meeting rose at 9.50 p.m.





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