Resolution 438 (1970)[1]

Harmonisation of the Rules of Procedure in respect of Substitutes

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

1. Considering the provisions of Rule 39 of its Rules of Procedure (Substitutes) ;

2. Noting that in some rules only Representatives are mentioned, although it is clear that these rules apply also to Substitutes, whereas other rules mention both Representatives and Substitutes ;

3. Believing that the Rules of Procedure should be as clear and unequivocal as possible ;

4. Wishing to bring the Rules of Procedure into line with the practice which has been established over the twenty years of the Assembly's existence,

5. Decides to amend the Rules of Procedure as follows :

a. Rule 5 :

1. paragraph 1 : for "Representative" read : "member" ;

2. paragraph 2 (English text only) : for "oldest Representative" read "provisional President" ;

b. Rule 9 :

1. paragraph 1 to read as follows : "No Representative may stand as a candidate for the office of President and no Representative or Substitute for the office of Vice-President unless he has been nominated in writing by three or more Representatives or Substitutes" ;

2. paragraph 5 (English only) : for "oldest Representative" read : "provisional President" ;

c. Rule 12 :

1. paragraph 1 : for "Representative" read : "member of the Assembly" ;

2. paragraph 2 (English text only) : for "Representative" read : "member" ;

3. paragraph 4 : for "Representative" read : "member" ;

4. paragraph 6 : for "Representative" read : "member" ;

d. Rule 13, paragraph 1 : after "Representatives" add : "Substitutes" ;

e. Rule 19, paragraph 2 : after "Representative" add : "or Substitute" ;

f. Rule 30, after "Representative" add : "or Substitute" ;

1. Assembly debate on 30 January 1970 (27th Sitting) (see Doc. 2674, report of the Committee on Rules of Procedure). Text adopted by the Assembly on30 January 1970 (27th Sitting).

g. Rule 39 :

1. at the end of paragraph 2, add : "in particular as regards Rules 25 (Register of attendance), 32 (Right to speak), 33 (Procedural motions), 35 (Methods of voting), 37 (Quorum) and 47 (Urgent procedure)" ;

2. add a new paragraph 3, as follows : "A Substitute who is a committee Chairman or Rapporteur may speak in that capacity, even if he is not sitting in place of a Representative. In the latter case, however, he shall not be entitled to vote." ;

h. Rule 45, paragraph 4 (a) : for "Representative" read : "member" ;

i. Rule 52, after "Representatives" add : "and Substitutes" ;

j. Rule 58, paragraph 1 : after "Representatives" add : "or Substitutes".