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| **Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-18)Dubai, 29 October – 16 November 2018** |  |
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| PLENARY MEETING | **Document 102-E** |
|  | **12 November 2018** |
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| minutesOF THEEighth PLENARY MEETING |
| Friday, 2 November 2018, at 0920 hours |
| **Chairman:** Mr Majed ALMESMAR (United Arab Emirates) |

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|  | Subjects discussed | Documents |
| 1 | Statement by Mr Zavazava (Zimbabwe) | – |
| 2 | General policy statements (continued) | – |
| 3 | Flag Day ceremony | – |
| 4 | Election of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau: second round  | [4 (Rev.2)](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0004/en), [75](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0075/en), [78](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0078/en), [86](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0086/en), [87](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0087/en) |

**1 Statement by Mr Zavazava (Zimbabwe)**

1.1 **Mr Zavazava**, speaking as a candidate who had run for the post of Director of BDT, expressed his gratitude to the President and Government of Zimbabwe and the Southern African Development Community for supporting his candidature. He congratulated the newly elected Director of BDT, Ms Bogdan-Martin, who had made history as the first woman to occupy an ITU elected official’s position. He was confident that she would serve all Member States and implement the full mandate of the Telecommunication Development Sector. He also congratulated Mr Ijeh on his campaign.

**2 General policy statements (continued)**

2.1 The following speakers made general policy statements:[[1]](#footnote-1)1

* Mr Eliseo Mijares RIO Jr, Secretary (Minister), Department of Information and Communications Technology (Philippines) (see <https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/speech/75>);
* Mr Jean David RODNEY, Director General, National Council of Telecommunications (Haiti) (see <https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/speech/194>);
* Mr. Frank TUMWEBAZE, Minister, Ministry of ICT and National Guidance (Uganda) (see <https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/speech/74>);
* Mr. Mohammad Javad AZARI JAHROMI, Minister, Ministry of ICT (Islamic Republic of Iran) (see <https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/speech/125>).

**3 Flag Day ceremony**

3.1 A short ceremony was held to mark Flag Day, the national day of the United Arab Emirates (3 November), celebrating the sovereignty and unity of the country and the pride of its people.

**4 Election of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau: second round (Documents** [**4 (Rev.2),**](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0004/en)[**75**](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0075/en)**,** [**78**](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0078/en)**,** [**86**](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0086/en)**,** [**87**](https://www.itu.int/md/S18-PP-C-0087/en)**)**

4.1 The **Chairman** announced the second round of voting in the election for the post of Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau. He had been informed that the candidacy of Mr M. Žilinskas (Lithuania) had been withdrawn (Document 4 (Rev.2)).

4.2 The **Chairman of Committee 2** said that no further transfers of powers had been received over and above those in Documents 78, 86 and 87.

4.3 The **Chairman** announced that five tellers representing the five administrative regions were in their positions. A ballot paper had been given to each delegation.

4.4 The **Secretary of the Plenary** called the roll of the delegations entitled to vote (Document 75) and invited them to deposit their ballot papers in the designated ballot boxes.

4.5 Candidates for the post of Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR): Mr I. Bozsóki (Hungary) and Mr M. Maniewicz (Uruguay).

4.6 Results of the vote:

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| − Number of ballot papers deposited: | 176 |
| − Number of invalid ballot papers: | 0 |
| − Abstentions: | 4 |
| − Number of delegations present and voting (number  of ballot papers used to compute the required majority): | 172 |
| − Required majority: | 87 |
| − Number of votes obtained: |  |
|  Mr I. Bozsóki: | 64 |
|  Mr M. Maniewicz: | 108 |

4.7 **Mr M. Maniewicz (Uruguay) was elected Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR).**

4.8 The **Director elect of BR** thanked the authorities of his country and members of the Uruguayan delegation for all the support they had given him, as well as the Member States that had voted for him. He gave the address available at <https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/page/215-other-speeches>.

4.9 The **delegate of Uruguay** thanked those States that had elected Mr Maniewicz to the post of Director of BR and paid tribute to the other candidates for their gallant campaigns. He assured delegates that Uruguay, which was a true advocate of multilateralism, diversity and tolerance, would continue to serve ITU to the best of its abilities.

4.10 **Mr Bozsóki** thanked his Government for supporting his candidature and congratulated Mr Maniewicz on his election.

4.11 The **delegates of Kenya**, speakingon behalf of the African group, **Malaysia**, speaking on behalf of APT, **Canada**, speaking on behalf of CITEL, the **United Arab Emirates**, speaking on behalf of the Arab group, **Romania**, speaking on behalf of CEPT, and the **Russian Federation**, speaking on behalf of RCC, congratulated Mr Maniewicz on his election and thanked the outgoing Director of BR for his dedicated work. They also paid tribute to the other candidates for their useful ideas and excellent campaigns.

4.12 The **Director of BR** thanked delegates for their kind words. He congratulated Mr Maniewicz on his election and wished him every success. He also expressed appreciation to the other candidates.

4.13 The **Secretary-General** thanked all three candidates for their campaigns and congratulated Mr Maniewicz on his election. He was confident that the unprecedented speed with which all five senior management positions had been filled reflected the membership’s trust in the new management team. He wished the outgoing Director of BR well in his future endeavours.

**The meeting rose at 1225 hours.**

The Secretary-General: The Chairman:

H. ZHAO M. ALMESMAR

1. 1 The texts of general policy statements submitted to the secretariat may be consulted at <https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/policy-statement>. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)