

**C. Date of elections to fill a vacancy in the International Court of Justice**

At its 2321st meeting, on 21 December 1981, the Council proceeded with the discussion of the item entitled "Date of elections to fill a vacancy in the International Court of Justice (S/14799)".<sup>74</sup>

**Resolution 499 (1981)**

**of 21 December 1981**

*The Security Council,*

*Noting with regret* the death of Judge Abdullah El-Erian on 12 December 1981,

*Noting further* that a vacancy in the International Court of Justice for the remainder of the term of office of the deceased judge has thus occurred and must be filled in accordance with the terms of the Statute of the Court,

*Noting* that, in accordance with Article 14 of the Statute, the date of the elections to fill this vacancy shall be fixed by the Security Council,

*Decides* that elections to fill the vacancy shall take place at a meeting of the Security Council and at a meeting of the General Assembly at its resumed thirty-sixth session.

*Adopted unanimously at the  
2321st meeting.*

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<sup>74</sup> See *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-sixth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1981*.

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**RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT  
OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL<sup>75</sup>**

At its 2303rd, 2304th, 2305th, 2310th and 2312th meetings, held in private on 27 and 28 October, 4 and 17 November, and 11 December 1981 respectively, the Council considered the question of the recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

**Resolution 494 (1981)**

**of 11 December 1981**

*The Security Council,*

*Having considered* the question of the recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations,

*Recommends* to the General Assembly that Mr. Javier Pérez de Cuéllar should be appointed Secretary-General of the United Nations for a term of office from 1 January 1982 to 31 December 1986.

*Adopted unanimously at the  
2312th meeting.*

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<sup>75</sup> Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1946, 1950, 1953, 1957, 1962, 1966, 1971 and 1976.