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Provisional

<i>President:</i>	Mr. Dejammet	(France)
<i>Members:</i>	Bahrain	Mr. Buallay
	Brazil	Mr. Valle
	China	Mr. Cui Tiankai
	Costa Rica	Mr. Saéñz Biolley
	Gabon	Mr. Dangué Réwaka
	Gambia	Mr. Sallah
	Japan	Mr. Takasu
	Kenya	Mr. Mahugu
	Portugal	Ms. Gomes
	Russian Federation	Mr. Sergeev
	Slovenia	Mr. Türk
	Sweden	Mr. Dahlgren
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sir John Weston
	United States of America	Mr. Burleigh

Agenda

The situation in Georgia

Report of the Secretary-General concerning the situation in Abkhazia, Georgia (S/1998/51)

The meeting was called to order at 3.15 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (*interpretation from French*): I should like to inform the Council that I have received letters from the representatives of Georgia and Germany in which they request to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite those representatives to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Chkheidze (Georgia) took a seat at the Council table; Mr. Eitel (Germany) took the seat reserved for him at the side of the Council Chamber.

The President (*interpretation from French*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them the report of the Secretary-General concerning the situation in Abkhazia, Georgia, document S/1998/51.

Members of the Council also have before them document S/1998/79, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

I should like to draw the attention of the members of the Council to document S/1998/25, which contains the text of a letter dated 12 January 1998 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia.

It is my understanding that the Security Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution [S/1998/79] before it. If I hear no objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Bahrain, Brazil, China, Costa Rica, France, Gabon, Gambia, Japan, Kenya, Portugal, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President (*interpretation from French*): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1150 (1998).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The meeting rose at 3.20 p.m.