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Biographical Note

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## RABAH HADID OF ALGERIA ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF FIFTH COMMITTEE

The General Assembly this afternoon elected Rabah Hadid of Algeria as Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary). On 1 June this year, Mr. Hadid was elected President of the fortieth session of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Mr. Hadid has been Deputy Permanent Representative of Algeria to the United Nations since 1 October 1992. He joined the Algerian delegation in January 1992 as Minister Counsellor. Prior to his present post, Mr. Hadid served as Algeria's Director for Economic and Cultural Relations from 1989 to January 1992. From 1986 to 1989, as Deputy Director in charge of operational activities, he was responsible for the coordination of technical cooperation programmes of the United Nations system in Algeria.

Mr. Hadid began his career in Algeria's Foreign Service in 1976. In 1979 he became Head of the Desk on Economic Cooperation among Developing Countries, and from 1981 to 1986 he was the First Secretary, then Counsellor in charge of economic, financial and administrative issues, at the Permanent Mission of Algeria to the United Nations.

Mr. Hadid was a member of the Algerian delegation to the General Assembly from 1981 to 1985 and in 1990 and 1992. He also attended the Assembly's special session on International Economic Cooperation in 1990 and was a member of his Government's delegation to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 1-12 June 1992). He also participated in a number of meetings of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), the Non-Aligned Movement, the "Group of 77" developing countries and the Organization of African Unity (CAU).

Mr. Hadid graduated in 1976 from the diplomatic section of the Ecole Nationale d'Administration, Algiers.

Born on 7 January 1955, he is married and has three sons.

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