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EVEN FONTAINE-ORTIZ (CUBA) ELECTED CHAIRMAN  
OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY COMMITTEE

Evan Fontaine-Ortiz, elected this morning as Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary) is Counsellor of the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations.

Mr. Fontaine-Ortiz, who has represented Cuba in the Fifth Committee for the past four years, has participated in over 40 international meetings on economic matters, including the United Nations Conference on an International Code of Conduct on the Transfer of Technology (Geneva, 1978-1982); the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development (Vienna, 1979); the second, third and fourth sessions of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development (New York, 1980-1982); and summer sessions of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (Geneva, 1979, 1981 and 1982).

He began working in the Cuban Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1975, where he has performed several functions. He was Specialist in the Press, Publicity and Cultural Relations Department from 1975 to 1976; Specialist in the Latin America and Caribbean Department between 1977 and 1978, and Senior Specialist in the Economic Affairs Unit of the International Organizations Department.

Born on 20 October 1947, Mr. Fontaine-Ortiz holds a degree in international relations from the Instituto del Servicio Exterior de la República de Cuba and a degree in economics from the Instituto de Economía de la Universidad de la Habana. In addition, he attended several post-graduate courses on international economic relations.

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