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THIRD REGULAR SESSION

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Note by the Director General

- 1. Pursuant to Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure the Director General hereby notifies all Members of the Agency that the third regular session of the General Conference will open on Tuesday, 22 September 1959 at 11 a.m.. It will be held in Vienna in the Hofburg, and is expected to last about two weeks.
- 2. In accordance with Rule 11 the Director General has drawn up the following provisional agenda for the session in consultation with the Board of Governors. In the annotations thereto a suggestion is made against each item, for consideration by the General Committee, as to where the item should first be discussed in plenary meeting or in one of the committees.
- 3. Should the Director General receive by 23 August 1959 any requests under Rule 13 for the inclusion of supplementary items in the agenda, such items will, subject to the provision of Rule 21, be placed on a supplementary list of items which will be sent to all Members not later than 1 September.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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- 2. Election of the President
- 3. Appointment of the Credentials Committee
- 4. Election of the Vice-Presidents
- 5. Appointment of the General Committee
- 6. Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to Committees
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- 13. The Agency's programme, budget and Working Capital Fund for 1960
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- 15. Rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency
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- 22. The Agency's annual report to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations for 1959-60
- 23. Opening date of the fourth regular session
- 24. Other business
- 25. Closing of the session

ANNOTATIONS

1. Opening of the session

Plenary meeting

In accordance with Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure, the session will be opened by the delegate from Indonesia. Immediately thereafter the temporary president will invite the delegates to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation (Rule 48).

2. Election of the President

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 34 the General Conference is required to elect a president to hold office until the end of the session.

3. Appointment of the Credentials Committee

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 28 the President will propose the appointment of a Credentials Committee of nine Members.

4. Election of the Vice-Presidents 1

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 34 the General Conference is required to elect eight Vice-Presidents to hold office until the end of the session.

5. Appointment of the General Committee

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 40 the General Conference is required to appoint a General Committee consisting of the President, the eight Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the Main Committees and four additional Members.

6. Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to Committees -

General Committee

The General Committee will report to the General Conference under Rule 42(a) on the provisional agenda as set forth in the present document, on any supplementary list of items (Rule 13) and on any proposals for the inclusion of additional items of an important or urgent character in the agenda (Rule 15) that may have been made at the outset of the session. In its report the General Committee may also wish to recommend the establishment of a Standing Committee for Pledges of Voluntary Contributions to the General Fund, to which item 14 of the provisional agenda could be allocated for initial discussion. After considering this report, the General Conference is required, under Rule 14, to adopt the agenda for the session and to allocate the items for initial discussion.

7. The closing date for the session

General Committee

Under Rule 8 the General Conference is required to fix a closing date for the session, after considering a recommendation on the subject which the General Committee will make.

8. Report of the Credentials Committee

Credentials Committee

Under Rule 28 the Credentials Committee is required to report to the General Conference on its examination of the credentials of all delegates.

^{1/} Rule 34 provides that the Vice-Presidents shall be elected after the election of the Chairmen of the two Main Committees. Before this item is taken in plenary meeting, it will accordingly be necessary to hold brief meetings of the two Main Committees provided for in Rule 45 - the Programme, Technical and Budgetary Committee and the Administrative and Legal Committee - at which these two bodies can elect their respective Chairmen.

9. Statement by the Director General

Plenary meeting

Subject to the approval of the presiding officer, the Director General proposes to make an oral statement to the General Conference.

10. General debate and report of the Board of Governors for the year 1958-59

Plenary meeting

Under Article V. E. 4 of the Statute, the General Conference is required to consider the annual report for the year 1958-59 concerning the affairs of the Agency and any projects approved by the Agency which the Board of Governors is preparing in accordance with Article VI. J. Pursuant to Rule 10 this report will be submitted to all Members not later than 24 July 1959. It is suggested that after the General Conference has first taken the report in plenary meeting, any matters which call for more detailed or prolonged consideration could subsequently be referred to the appropriate Committee, which could later submit its recommendations on these subjects to the General Conference in plenary meeting.

11. The Agency's annual report to the United Nations General Assembly for 1958-59

Plenary meeting

In accordance with Article VI.J of the Statute the Board is preparing the Agency's annual report on its activities in 1958-59 which the Agency is required to make to the United Nations General Assembly under Article III. 1(a) of its Relationship Agreement with the United Nations.

12. Assistance to less developed countries with the production of nuclear power

Programme, Technical and Budgetary Committee

In resolution GC(II)/RES/27, paragraph 2, the General Conference requested the Board to report at its third regular session on the steps taken to implement the resolution.

13. The Agency's programme, budget and Working Capital Fund for 1960

Programme, Technical and Budgetary Committee

Under Article V.E.5 of the Statute the General Conference is required to approve the budget of the Agency for 1960 on the basis of estimates for the expenses of the Agency which the Board of Governors will submit to it under Article XIV.A, or to return the budget with recommendations as to its entirety or parts to the Board, for re-submission to the General Conference. The Board is submitting its proposals for the programme and budget for 1960 to the General Conference as a single document, in which the estimates of expenditures and revenues will be classified under the categories provided for in Article XIV of the Statute and Articles III and IV of the Financial Regulations. In accordance with Financial Regulation 3.03 this document will be submitted to all Members not later than 10 August 1959.

14. Voluntary contributions to the General Fund in 1960

Standing Committee for Pledges of Voluntary Contributions to the General Fund

This item is proposed by the Board of Governors under Rule 12(b). The Board suggests that the steps to be taken to obtain voluntary contributions to the General Fund in 1960 should follow the pattern adopted in respect of the year 1959, details of which are given in resolution GC(II)/RES/18. The Board further suggests that, with the object of facilitating the taking of similar measures in future years, the General Conference may wish to give a permanent status to the committee established under paragraph 1 of that resolution.

15. Rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency

Administrative and Legal Committee

The Board of Governors is submitting for the approval of the General Conference the rules regarding the acceptance of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency which it has prepared in compliance with the request made by the General Conference in resolution GC(II)/RES/23, paragraph 1.

16. The Agency's accounts for 1957-58

Administrative and Legal Committee

In compliance with Financial Regulation 12.04 the Board of Governors will submit to the General Conference a report on the audited accounts of the Agency for 1957-58.

17. Scale of Members' contributions

Programme, Technical and Budgetary Committee 2

(a) Revised scale for 1959

By resolution GC(II)/RES/32 the General Conference decided to adjust retroactively during its third regular session the provisional scale of contributions towards the Agency's administrative expenses in 1959. The Director General will lay proposals for such a revised scale before the General Conference.

(b) Scale for 1960

The Director General will lay before the General Conference a proposed scale of contributions towards the Agency's administrative expenses for 1960. In accordance with the provisions of resolution GC(II)/RES/33, paragraph 2, the proposed scale will be based on the scale adopted by the United Nations for 1959.

18. The relations of the Agency with the specialized agencies

Administrative and Legal Committee

A draft of a relationship agreement between the Agency and the International Civil Aviation Organization is at present before the Board of Governors for approval. This item is accordingly included in the provisional agenda to facilitate the eventual submission of the relationship agreement to the General Conference for approval, in accordance with resolution GC. 1(S)/RES/11, paragraph 2.

19. Representation of intergovernmental organizations at the fourth regular session

Administrative and Legal Committee

This item is proposed by the Board of Governors under Rule 12(b). The Board was authorized by the General Conference in resolution GC(II)/RES/21 to invite certain intergovernmental organizations to be represented by observers at the third regular session of the General Conference. The Board is of the opinion that it would be desirable for the General Conference to give it a similar authorization in respect of the fourth regular session, and is accordingly submitting a proposal to that effect.

20. Election of Members to the Board of Governors

General Committee

Under Rule 86 the General Committee is required to report on the number of elective places on the Board of Governors to be filled by the General Conference, in the light of the expiry of the terms of office of Argentina, the Republic of Korea, Pakistan, Romania and Turkey at the end of the third regular session. The Members elected will hold office from the end of the third regular session until the end of the fifth regular session (Article VI. D of the Statute and Rule 84). Rules 79 - 81 and 83 - 88 relate to the conduct of these elections.

^{2/} During the second regular session the Programme, Technical and Budgetary Committee set up a sub-committee to consider the scales of Members' contributions in the first instance.

21. Election of members of the Agency's Staff Pension Committee

Plenary meeting

It is foreseen that circum stances will make it impossible for the two members of the Agency's Staff Pension Committee elected by the General Conference in 1959 to continue to discharge their functions throughout the whole period up to the fourth session of the General Conference in September 1960. The General Conference will therefore be asked to elect replacements for them.

22. The Agency's annual report to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations for 1959-60

Plenary meeting

This item is proposed by the Board of Governors under Rule 12(b). In resolution GC(II)/RES/24, paragraph 1, the General Conference decided that the Agency's annual report to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations should be submitted to the Council at its second session each year. To facilitate the preparation and transmission of an up-to-date report, the General Conference authorized the Board to submit it to the Council in 1959; and the Board wishes to suggest that it would be desirable for the General Conference to give it a similar authorization in respect of the annual report for 1959-60, to be submitted to the Council during the first half of 1960. The Board is submitting a proposal on these lines to the General Conference.

23. Opening date of the fourth regular session

General Committee

Under Rule 1 the General Conference is required to fix the opening date of the fourth regular session in 1960.

24. Other business

Plenary meeting or appropriate committee

25. Closing of the session

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 48 the President will invite the delegates to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation, and immediately thereafter declare the session closed.