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AMENDMENT OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

Proposal by Iraq

On 10 September 1962 the Director General received a communication from the Governor from Iraq, the text of which reads as follows:

"8 September 1962

"My Government has the honour to propose, under Rule 15 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the inclusion in the agenda of the sixth regular session of an additional item entitled:

'AMENDMENT OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE'

"The purpose of this proposal is set forth in the explanatory memorandum which I am submitting herewith in accordance with Rule 20."

"Explanatory memorandum

- "1. The existing texts of Rules 83, 86 and 87 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, $\frac{1}{2}$ which relate to the election of Members to the Board of Governors, will need to be slightly modified to enable the Conference to give effect to the provisions of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute, once the amended text of that Article which it approved by resolution GC(V)/RES/92 has come into force.
- "2. The Government of Iraq has noted from document GC(VI)/INF/46/Rev.5 that by 31 August 1962 34 Members of the Agency had accepted the amendment. It accordingly foresees the likelihood of the amended text coming into force, in accordance with Article XVIII.C(ii), before the General Conference proceeds to elect Members to the Board of Governors during its sixth regular session.

^{1/} GC(V)/INF/35.

"3. The Government therefore considers it desirable for the Conference immediately to take steps to meet the situation that will arise in that eventuality, and it is for this reason that it has proposed the inclusion in the agenda of an item of an important and urgent character under which the Conference can amend its Rules of Procedure to the necessary extent. On the assumption that the Conference will agree to include this item in its agenda, the Government recommends the following draft resolution for adoption:

AMENDMENT OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

The General Conference,

Recalling its approval of an amendment to the first sentence of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute, and desirous of taking in advance the necessary steps to enable effect to be given to the amended text of that Article after it has come into force,

- 1. Decides to amend certain of its Rules of Procedure as set forth below:
- (a) Rule 83 to read:

Rule 83. Elections at regular annual sessions

The General Conference at each regular session shall elect as many Members to membership on the Board of Governors as may be necessary to ensure that the Board of Governors holding office from the end of that session shall include twolve Members elected by the General Conference. The General Conference shall conduct such elections with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the Members in the following areas, so that the Board holding office from the end of that session shall include in the category of Members elected by the General Conference three Members each from the areas of Latin America and of Africa and the Middle East and one Member from each of the remaining areas except North America, provided however, that this exception shall not impose any limitation on the right of the General

^{2/} These words are underlined to indicate the proposed changes in the present text of the Rule. The underlining would be omitted from the final text.

Conference to elect a Member from North America to membership on the Board of Governors.

- (a) North America;
- (b) Latin America;
- (c) Western Europe;
- (d) Eastern Europe;
- (e) Africa and the Middle East;
- (f) South Asia;
- (g) South-East Asia and the Pacific; and
- (h) The Far East.

(b) Rule 86 to read:

Rule 86. Determination of elective places by the General Committee

At each regular session the General Committee shall determine the number of elective places which must be filled on the Board of Governors so as to ensure that, after the end of the session, the Board of Governors shall include twelve Members elected by the General Conference. The General Committee shall also specify each geographical area in respect of which a Member or Members must be elected to membership on the Board of Governors to ensure that, at the end of the session, the Board shall include, in the category of Members elected by the General Conference, three Members each from the areas of Latin America and of Africa and the Middle East and one Member from each of the remaining areas, 2/except North America, specified in Rule 83 of these Rules.

(c) Rule 87 to read:

Rule 87. Methods of election

At each regular session there shall be a separate election in respect of each geographical area from which the General Committee has determined that a Member or Members must be elected. The election shall be conducted in accordance with Rule 80 or 81 as appropriate. After all

elections in respect of geographical areas have taken place, any remaining elective place shall be filled in accordance with the procedure set forth in Rule 80 of these Rules.

2. Further decides that the foregoing amended texts of Rules 83, 86 and 87 shall come into force immediately after the text of the first sentence of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute as set forth in paragraph 1 of its resolution GC(V)/RES/92 has come into force."