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# General Conference

Sixth regular session

Agenda item 3(b) (GC(VI)/277)

### CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES TO THE SIXTH REGULAR SESSION

(b) REPORT OF THE CRUDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman: Mr. A.D. McKNICHT (Australia)

1. At its 63rd plenary meeting on 18 September 1962 the General Conference appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following members:

Argentina

Philippines

Australia

Iraq

Bulgaria

Union of Soviet Socialist

Republics

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Lebanon

United States of America

- 2. The Credentials Committee held a meeting on 24 September 1962 at which all members were represented.
- 3. Mr. A.D. McKnight (Australia) was unanimously elected Chairman of the Committee.
- 4. The delegate of Bulgaria stated that his delegation did not recognize as valid any credentials issued on behalf of China other than those issued by the Government of the People's Republic of China. He stated that there was only one China and its lawful Government, the Government of the People's Republic of China, was alone entitled to represent the Chinese people, who constituted one quarter of mankind, in the Agency. He moved a motion to exclude the name of China from the list of the delegations which had submitted their credentials for the General Conference.
- 5. The delegate of the United States of America proposed that the Committee should recommend to the General Conference the adoption of the draft resolution which is reproduced as draft resolution I at the end of this

- report. He declared that it was desirable that the General Conference, by adopting his draft, should follow the precedents set by the General Assembly of the United Nations and by other international bodies. The delegate of the United States of America proposed that his motion should be voted on before the motion of the Bulgarian representative as set out in paragraph 4. The delegate of El Salvador supported the proposal made by the delegate of the United States.
- 6. The delegate of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics stated that only delegates appointed by the Government of the People's Republic of China, which was the only lawful Government of China, were entitled to represent China in the General Conference and other organs of the Agency. The Soviet delegation did not recognize any other credentials for China than those issued by the Government of the People's Republic of China. Therefore he supported the proposal of the Bulgarian delegate.
- 7. The Committee decided by 5 votes to 2, with 2 abstentions in favour of voting first on the United States motion.
- 8. The United States motion was put to the vote and was adopted by 5 votes to 2, with 2 abstentions.
- The delegate of the United States of America then introduced a motion that the Credentials Committee, bearing in mind the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in regard to the Hungarian question, take no decision regarding the credentials submitted on behalf of the representatives of Hungary. The delegate of Bulgaria stated that there was no reason to question the validity of the credentials issued by the lawful Government of the Hungarian People's Republic. He stressed that at its fifth regular session the General Conference had by a large majority elected Hungary a member of the Board of Governors and that that country served already on the Board for one year. The delegate of the Soviet Union supported the Bulgarian delegate. He called upon the members of the Committee to reject the United States proposal. He also supported the validity of the Hungarian credentials reaffirming that the credentials of the delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic were fully in order. The delegates of El Salvador and Philippines supported the United States The Committee adopted the United States motion by five votes to three with one abstention.

10. The Committee found that credentials satisfying the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference had been submitted to the Director General of the Agency for the delegates of the following Member States:

Afghanistan Japan . Korea, Republic of Albania Argentina Luxembourg Mexico Australia Monaco Austria Belgium Morocco Netherlands Brazil New Zealand Bulgaria Burma Norway Byelorussian Soviet Pakistan Socialist Republic Philippines Canada Poland Cambodia Romania Ceylon Senegal Chile South Africa China Spain Sudan Colombia Czechoslovak Socialist Sweden Republic Switzerland Thailand Denmark El Salvador Tunisia Finland Turkey Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Germany, Federal Republic of Republic Union of Soviet Socialist Ghana Greece Republics Holy See United Arab Republic Iceland United Kingdom of Great Britain and India Northern Ireland United States of America Iran Venezuela Iraq Viet-Nam Israel

Yugoslavia

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11. The Committee further found that the credentials submitted for the delegates of the following Member States did not satisfy the Provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference:

Congo (Leopoldville)

Cuba

Dominican Republic

Guatemala

Haiti

Indonesia

Lebanon

Nicaragua

Peru

Portugal

Italy

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12. The following Member States were not represented at the sixth session of the General Conference:

Ecuador Ethiopia Honduras Mali Paraguay

- 13. The Committee decided to ask the Director General to request the Member States which had not already done so to submit credentials which would satisfy the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure. The Committee proposed that, pending the submission of such credentials, the representatives concerned should be seated provisionally with the same rights as other representatives.
- 14. The Committee submits to the General Conference the following two draft resolutions:

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## CREDENTIALS OF THE DELEGATES TO THE SIXTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

### The General Conference

- (a) Recalling the recommendation of the fifth regular session of the General Assembly of the United Nations on 14 December 1950 that "the attitude adopted by the General Assembly" regarding the representation of a Member State "should be taken into account in other organs of the United Nations and in the specialized agencies", and
- (b) <u>Recalling</u> the action which the sixteenth regular session of the General Assembly took on 15 December 1961 regarding the representation of China,
- 1. <u>Decides</u> to take no action on any proposal to change the representation of China at its sixth regular session; and
- 2. <u>Finds</u> that the credentials of the delegate of the Government of the Republic of China conform with the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure.

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#### REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

#### The General Conference

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee. 1/

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