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PRELIMINARY INFORMATION FOR DELEGATIONS

THE SESSION

The seventh regular session of the General Conference will open on Tuesday, 24 September 1963, at 10.30 a.m. It will be held in the <u>Kongress-Zentrum</u>, Neue Hofburg, Heldenplatz, Vienna I (telephone: 52 16 87), and is expected to conclude within two weeks.

INFORMATION DESK

An information desk will be open in the entrance hall on Monday, 23 September, to provide members of delegations with initial information.

Delegates will be directed from it to the Protocol Office for registration and to the Documents Station where documents for the session they have not already received may be collected together with a handbook describing the arrangements for that session.

NOTIFICATION OF THE COMPOSITION OF DELEGATIONS

Names of persons constituting delegations should reach the Director General as early as possible and not later than seven days before the opening of the session. In practice this information is needed even earlier if a reasonably complete first edition of the delegations list is to be prepared and ready for delegates and members of their staffs immediately on their arrival in Vienna. The first edition of the delegates list will go to press on 17 September, so information received after that date can only be incorporated in the first revision of the list, issued after the session has begun.

CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES

Each delegate will require credentials specifically for the seventh regular session even if he is already accredited to the Agency in some other capacity, i.e. as a Governor or Resident Representative. They should be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and reach the Director General not less than seven days before the opening of the session. [1] In the past a considerable number of credentials were received late, some even after the session had begun. This created difficulties, especially for the Credentials Committee and delegates concerned. It is requested therefore that the credentials for the forthcoming session be submitted not later than 17 September.

^[1] The procedure governing the issue and submission of credentials is given in Rule 27 of the General Conference's Rules of Procedure (GC(VII)/INF/60).

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AGENDA AND DOCUMENTS

The provisional agenda for the session (document GC(VII)/226) is being circulated shortly. Documents relating to the various items will be circulated as they come off the press.

Should any Member State, on or before 26 August 1963, request under Rule 13 of the Rules of Procedure the inclusion of a supplementary item in the agenda, the item will, subject to the provisions of Rule 21, be placed on a supplementary list which will be circulated not later than 4 September. Attention is drawn in this connection to Rule 20, which requires that a proposal for an item shall be accompanied by an explanatory memorandum and, if possible, by basic documents or by a draft resolution.

FACILITIES FOR TRANSLATION, TYPING AND REPRODUCTION OF TEXTS

The Secretariat can only undertake the translation, typing and reproduction of such papers (memoranda, draft resolutions, etc.) as may formally be introduced as part of the work of the General Conference and thus will become official documents. Should any delegation foresee a need to have other papers translated, typed and reproduced in Vienna, it should make its own arrangements for the purpose in advance; in that connection the Secretariat will be glad to give it what help it can.

Delegations can engage secretarial service and hire the necessary equipment, for short periods, directly from firms in Vienna; a few days' notice may be required. Secretaries who can work in English, French or German can be engaged without much difficulty; those having a knowledge of other languages are less easily obtained. Stenographers can be engaged for AS 50 [2] an hour. Typewriters can be hired for about AS 100 a month or pro rata for a shorter period, and duplicating machines for approximately AS 175 a week.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

During the session, facilities will be provided for the holding of press conferences, for radio and television recordings, and for the distribution of statements to information media.

PANEL ON THE USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY TO DESALT SEA WATER

The Director General is convening a panel on the use of nuclear energy to desalt sea water on 23 September 1963 [3]. The panel will meet for about five days at the Agency's headquarters (11 Kaerntnerring), and any member of a delegation to the General Conference who is interested in this subject will be welcome at its meetings.

Member States may wish to include in their delegations an expert on the subject to attend the discussions.

MISCELLANEOUS

Hotel accommodation. The Secretariat enjoys no special priority facilities for booking hotel accommodation. Since the session will held during the touring season applications for reservations should if possible be made directly to hotels. However, should any Government have difficulty in doing this, the Secretariat will be glad to provide what assistance it can; requests should be addressed without delay, and in any event not later

^[2] AS (Austrian Schilling) 26 equal approximately US \$1.

^[3] For an outline of the current status of the Agency's work on this subject, see document INFCIRC/45 (in preparation).

than the last week of July, to the Conference Accommodation Office, International Atomic Energy Agency, Kaerntnerring 11, Vienna I (telegraphic address: INATOM VIENNA), giving all relevant information, in particular stating the type and amount of accommodation required and the period it is needed for.

<u>Currency</u>. Banknotes of any country, travellers cheques and letters of credit may be brought into Austria without restriction. However, since there is not a demand in Austria for all currencies, a few may not be easily saleable. Departing visitors may take with them the amount of foreign currency or securities they brought into the country, and up to AS 10 000 in Austrian currency.

The weather. The weather in Vienna during September is usually mild with average day temperatures of $15^{\circ}C$ ($59^{\circ}F$). The difference between day and night temperatures is normally about $10^{\circ}C$ ($18^{\circ}F$). However, day temperatures may rise to $30^{\circ}C$ ($86^{\circ}F$) and night temperatures fall as low as $1^{\circ}C$ ($34^{\circ}F$).