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ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Memorandum by the President

- 1. Rule 83 of the General Conference's Rules of Procedure provides that before the Conference proceeds at each regular session to elections to the Board of Governors, the presiding officer shall indicate to it those elective places on the Board which must be filled so as to ensure that after the end of the session the Board will be constituted in accordance with Article VI.A of the Statute. In preparation for the elections to be held during the current session, the President accordingly invites the Conference's attention to the following.
- 2. The two-year terms as elected Members of the Board of Argentina, Indonesia, Mexico and Saudi Arabia will expire at the end of this session. In addition, the Governments of Algeria, Chile, the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, Denmark, Ghana, Ireland and Lebanon informed the Conference towards the end of its session last year that they had decided to serve on the Board for one year only, that is to say until the end of this session.
- 3. The elective places occupied by these 11 Members will accordingly have to be filled, and in order that the provisions of Article VI.A.2 of the Statute may be satisfied, the following elections are required:

See document GC(XVI)/RESOLUTIONS(1972), Other Decisions, decision number GC(XVI)/DEC/8.

^{2/} See document GC(XVII)/OR.167, para. 19.

- (a) Three Members from Latin America;
- (b) Two Members from Western Europe;
- (c) One Member from Eastern Europe;
- (d) Two Members from Africa;
- (e) One Member from the Middle East and South Asia;
- (f) One Member from South East Asia and the Pacific; and
- (g) One Member from Africa, the Middle East and South Asia, or South East Asia and the Pacific.

The ballot papers with which delegates will be provided for the elections will so indicate, as provided for in the second sentence of Rule 84 of the Rules of Procedure.

4. In relation to the elections themselves, delegates may find it convenient to have before them the names of the 23 Members that have either been designated by the Board or previously elected by the Conference to serve on the Board after the end of this session:

Argentina
Australia
Bulgaria
Canada
Costa Rica
France
Gabon
Germany, Federal Republic of
Hungary
India
Italy
Japan

Korea, Republic of
Pakistan
Peru
Philippines
South Africa
Sudan
Sweden
Switzerland
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Northern Ireland
United States of America

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^{4/} GC(XVII)/RESOLUTIONS(1973), Other Decisions, decision number GC(XVII)/DEC/10.