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Twentieth regular session

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Note by the Director General

- 1. In accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference[1], the Director General hereby notifies all Members of the Agency that the twentieth regular session of the General Conference will begin at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 21 September 1976 at the conference centre of the Hotel Nacional in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.[2]
- 2. Pursuant to Rules 11 and 12 the Director General has drawn up the attached provisional agenda for the session. In the annotation to each item thereof a suggestion is made, for consideration by the General Committee, as to where it should first be discussed in plenary meeting or in a committee. The order in which items are listed is not to be construed as a formal proposal that they should be discussed in that order; the numbers allocated to them do, however, broadly reflect the sequence in which corresponding items have been taken up at recent sessions.
- 3. Should the Director General receive by 22 August any request under Rule 13 for the inclusion of a supplementary item in the agenda, such an item will, subject to the limitation in Rule 21, be placed on a supplementary list which will be circulated not later than 1 September.

^[1] GC(XIX)/INF/152.

^[2] GC(XX)/INF/160, para. 5.

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- 1. Election of officers and appointment of the General Committee
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- 14. Voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1977

ANNOTATIONS

1. Election of officers and appointment of the General Committee

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 34 of the Rules of Procedure the General Conference is required to elect a President, and the President will propose for election the names of eight Vice-Presidents and the name of a Chairman of the Committee of the Whole.[3] Under Rule 40 the Conference is required to appoint a General Committee consisting of the President, the eight Vice-Presidents, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole and five additional members, the latter being elected on the proposal of the President.

2. Applications for membership of the Agency

Plenary meeting

Document GC(XX)/563 contains a recommendation by the Board of Governors for the admission of Nicaragua to membership of the Agency.

3. Invitation to the Palestine Liberation Organization to attend the sessions of the General Conference in the capacity of an observer

Plenary meeting

This item is included at the request of the Government of Iraq under Rule 12(c) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference. In accordance with Rule 20 an explanatory memorandum will be circulated as document GC(XX)/568.

4. Statement by the Director General

Plenary meeting

The Director General proposes to make a statement to the Conference.

5. Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion

General Committee

The General Committee is required to report to the Conference under Rule 42(a) on the provisional agenda set forth in the present document and on any supplementary list of items (Rule 13), as well as on any proposal for the inclusion of an additional item of an important or urgent character in the agenda (Rule 15) that may have been made at the outset of the session. The Conference will then approve the agenda (Rule 14) and allocate the items for initial discussion.

6. Closing date of the session and opening date of the next session

General Committee

Under Rule 8 the Conference is required to fix a closing date for the session after considering a recommendation on the subject which the General Committee will make. Under Rule 1 the Conference is required to set the opening date of the twenty-first (1977) regular session.

^[3] Before these elections are held the presiding officer will invite the delegates, under Rule 48, to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation. The presiding officer will repeat this invitation immediately before the close of the session.

7. General debate and report for 1975

Plenary meeting

Under Article V. E. 4 of the Statute the Conference is required to consider the report for the year 1975 which the Board has prepared (GC(XX)/565).

8. The Agency's accounts for 1975

Committee of the Whole

The Agency's accounts for 1975, together with the External Auditor's report thereon and a report by the Board, will be communicated to the Conference in document GC(XX)/566.

9. The Agency's programme for 1977-82 and budget for 1977

Committee of the Whole

Under Article V.E.5 of the Statute the Conference is required to approve the Agency's budget for 1977 on the basis of estimates for expenses which the Board, under Article XIV.A, is submitting in document GC(XX)/567 (in which the Agency's programme for 1977-82 is also set out), or to return the budget with recommendations as to its entirety or to parts to the Board, for resubmission to the Conference.

10. Assessment of Members' contributions towards the Agency's Regular Budget

Committee of the Whole

At the Board's request the Director General will submit to the Conference the draft of a resolution on the principles for the assessment of Members' contributions towards the Agency's Regular Budget reflecting the revised arrangements for the financing of safeguards which the Board has endorsed. The Director General will also submit to the Conference a proposed scale of assessment for such contributions for 1977 based on these revised arrangements.

11. Examination of delegates' credentials

General Committee

Under Rule 28 the General Committee will examine the credentials of all delegates and report thereon to the Conference.

12. Election of Members to the Board of Governors

Plenary meeting

The Conference will be called upon to elect 11 Members to the Board.[4] Under Rule 83, the President will indicate to the Conference 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.

13. Elections to the Agency's Staff Pension Committee

Plenary meeting

The Conference will be called upon to elect one or more members of the Agency's Staff Pension Committee to replace members previously elected by the Conference but no longer able to continue to serve.

^[4] To replace Brazil, the German Democratic Republic, Iran, Iraq, Spain, Thailand, Turkey, Uruguay, Venezuela, Zaire and Zambia, whose terms of office will expire at the end of this year's session of the General Conference (see Resolutions and Other Decisions of the General Conference, eighteenth regular session, decision number GC(XVIII)/DEC/7).

14. Voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1977

Plenary meeting

It is expected that the usual measures will be taken to obtain pledges of voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1977.[5]

^[5] See, for example, documents GC(XIX)/555 and GC(XIX)/OR.183, para. 73.