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# Election of Members to the Board of Governors

## Memorandum by the President

1. Rule 83 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference<sup>1</sup> provides that before the Conference at each regular session proceeds to elections of the Board of Governors, the presiding officers 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.
2. The President accordingly informs the Conference that at the current session it will be called upon to elect 11 members to the Board<sup>2</sup> as follows:
  - (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 Middle East and South Asia;
  - (f) One member from South East Asia and the Pacific; and
  - (g) One member from the Far East, Middle East and South Asia, or South East Asia and the Pacific (the so-called “floating seat”).

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<sup>1</sup> GC(XXXI)/INF/245/Rev.1.

<sup>2</sup> To replace Algeria, Argentina, Costa Rica, Greece, Libya, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Thailand and Uruguay (see document GC(56)/RES/DEC(2012), decision number GC(56)/DEC/8).

3. The attention of delegates is drawn to the 24 Member States listed below, which will serve as members of the Board until the end of the fifty-ninth regular session (2015), as a result of either previous election by the General Conference in 2013<sup>3</sup> or designation by the Board of Governors in June 2014<sup>4</sup>.

Argentina	Peru
Australia	Qatar
Austria	Russian Federation
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Slovakia
Canada	South Africa
China	Spain
Finland	Sudan
France	United Arab Emirates
Germany	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
India	United States of America
Japan	Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of
Kenya	Viet Nam

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<sup>3</sup> GC(57)/RES/DEC(2013), decision GC(57)/DEC/8.

<sup>4</sup> GC(58)/4.