

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

held on Monday, 16 September 2019

Plenary 1st meeting

The Conference, under agenda item 1 of the provisional agenda, "Election of officers and appointment of the General Committee", elected by acclamation HE Ms Alicia Buenrostro Massieu, Ambassador and Resident Representative of Mexico to the IAEA, as President of the General Conference at its sixty-third regular session.

In line with a proposal by the President, the Conference elected the delegates of Costa Rica, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Malaysia, Morocco, the Netherlands the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America as Vice-Presidents of the Conference. Also, in line with a proposal by the President, the Conference elected HE Ms Maria Cleofe Rayos Natividad, Ambassador and Resident Representative of the Philippines to the IAEA, as Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole, and the delegates of Angola, Denmark, Luxembourg and the United Arab Emirates as additional members of the General Committee.

Next, the Conference took up item "Tribute to the Late Director General Yukiya Amano", as contained in document GC(63)/1/Add.3. Under this item the Conference adopted a resolution contained in document GC(63)/21.

Item 2 of the provisional agenda, "Applications for membership of the Agency", was not taken up as there were no new applications.

Under agenda item 3 of the provisional agenda, a message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr António Guterres, was delivered to the General Conference by Mr Yuri Fedotov, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Vienna.

Under agenda item 4 of the provisional agenda, as modified by document GC(63)/1/Mod.1, the Acting Director General of the IAEA, Mr Cornel Feruță, made a statement.

Under agenda item 6 of the provisional agenda, "Contributions to the Technical Cooperation Fund for 2020", the President made a statement regarding the early pledging and payment of contributions to the Technical Cooperation Fund for 2020, which greatly helps the Secretariat in planning the Agency's technical cooperation programme.

The Conference took up agenda item 7 of the provisional agenda, "General debate and Annual Report for 2018", and statements were made by the delegates of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Niger, the United States of America, the Russian Federation, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Indonesia, Romania, China, Argentina, Japan and Brazil.



Plenary	The Conference resumed consideration of item 7 of the agenda,
2nd meeting	"General debate and Annual Report for 2018". Statements were made
	by Uzbekistan, Ghana, France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain
	and Northern Ireland, Sweden, Slovakia, the Holy See, Hungary,
	Jordan, Armenia, Peru, Bangladesh, the Congo, Kazakhstan, Angola,
	Honduras, Cameroon, Poland, Cyprus, the Republic of Korea, Nigeria
	and Belarus. The following Member States exercised their rights of reply: the Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan and the Republic of Korea.
Committee of the Whole 1st meeting	The Committee elected HE Mr Ghislain D'Hoop, Ambassador and Resident Representative of Belgium to the IAEA, as Vice-Chair of the Committee of the Whole.
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The Committee agreed to take the items referred to it, as far as possible, in the order in which they appear in documents GC(63)/1, Add.1, Add.2, Add.3, Add.4 and Mod.1.

The Committee also agreed to continue the practice, successfully implemented in recent years, of clustering, to the extent practicable, the draft resolutions submitted to the Plenary by the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee agreed to recommend the following to the Conference for adoption:

- under agenda item 9, "The Agency's Financial Statements for 2018", the draft resolution on page i of the document GC(63)/6;
- under agenda item 10, "The Agency's Programme and Budget for 2020–2021" a draft resolution entitled "A. Regular Budget Appropriations for 2020", a draft resolution entitled "B. Technical Cooperation Fund Allocation for 2020" and a draft resolution entitled "C. The Working Capital Fund for 2020", contained in document GC(63)/2;
- under agenda item 12, "Amendment to Article XIV.A of the Statute", the draft decision contained in document GC(63)/COM.5/L.12;
- under agenda item 13, "Scale of assessment of Member States' contributions towards the Regular Budget for 2020", the draft resolution contained in document GC(63)/12;
- under agenda item 14, "Nuclear and radiation safety", the draft resolution contained in document GC(63)/COM.5/L.4;
- under agenda item 15, "Nuclear security", the draft resolution contained in document GC(63)/COM.5/L.7;



- under agenda item 17, "Strengthening the Agency's activities related to nuclear science, technology and applications", the draft resolutions contained in GC(63)/COM.5/L.1, GC(63)/COM.5/L.2 and GC(63)/COM.5/L.3; and
- under agenda item 18, "Strengthening the effectiveness and improving the efficiency of Agency safeguards", the draft resolution contained in GC(63)/COM.5/L.8.