



# General Conference

Fifth Regular Session

## PROVISIONAL AGENDA

### Note by the Director General

1. Pursuant to Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure [ 1 ] the Director General hereby notifies all Members of the Agency that the fifth regular session of the General Conference will open on Tuesday, 26 September 1961 at 10.30 a.m. It will be held in Vienna in the Hofburg, and is expected to last about two weeks.
2. The Director General has drawn up the attached provisional agenda for the session. In the annotations thereto a suggestion is made against each item, for consideration by the General Committee, as to where the item should first be discussed - in plenary meeting or in one of the committees. The allocation of particular numbers to items should not be construed as a formal proposal that the items should be discussed in that order. The numbers do, however, largely reflect the order in which the General Conference found it convenient to take up corresponding items at its fourth regular session; thus items corresponding to those numbered 1 - 9, 11 and 12 in the present provisional agenda were dealt with during the first series of plenary meetings of that session. Items 12 - 21 are grouped according to the committee in which it is suggested they should first be discussed, and the remainder are those which it seems likely the General Conference will wish to take up in the second series of plenary meetings in the latter half of the session.
3. The following were among the suggestions made in the course of the consultation of the Board of Governors on the provisional agenda which the Director General undertook pursuant to Rule 11:
  - (a) That it would facilitate the General Conference's work if item 3(b) - Report of the Credentials Committee - were taken as near to the end of the session as possible; and
  - (b) That although there was logic in the suggestion that item 17 - The question of a general review of the provisions of the Statute - should first be discussed in the Administrative and Legal Committee, it might be preferable for it to be taken in plenary meeting without prior reference to a committee.
4. Should the Director General receive by 27 August any request under Rule 13 for the inclusion of supplementary items in the agenda, such items will, subject to the limitation in Rule 21, be placed on a supplementary list of items which will be sent to all Members not later than 6 September.

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[ 1 ] GC(V)/INF/35.

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ANNOTATIONS

1. Opening of the session

Plenary meeting

In the light of Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure, the session is expected to be opened by the delegate of Bulgaria. Immediately thereafter the presiding officer will invite the delegates to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation (Rule 48).

2. Election of the President

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 34 the General Conference is required to elect a President to hold office until the end of the session.

3. Credentials of delegates to the fifth regular session

(a) Appointment of the Credentials Committee

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 28 the President will propose the appointment of a Credentials Committee of nine Members.

(b) Report of the Credentials Committee

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 28 the Credentials Committee is required to examine the credentials of all delegates and report thereon without delay to the General Conference.

4. Election of the Vice-Presidents

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 34 the General Conference is required to elect eight Vice-Presidents to hold office until the end of the session. [ 2 ]

5. Appointment of the General Committee

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 40 the General Conference is required to appoint a General Committee consisting of the President, the eight Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the Main Committees and four additional Members.

6. Applications for membership of the Agency

Plenary meeting

This item is included to provide for the contingency that the General Conference may have before it one or more recommendations by the Board of Governors under Article IV of the Statute for the admission of States to membership of the Agency.

7. Statement by the Director General

Plenary meeting

The Director General proposes to make an oral statement to the General Conference.

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

General Committee

The General Committee will report to the General Conference at the beginning of the session under Rule 42(a) on the provisional agenda set forth in the present document and on any supplementary list of items (Rule 13); it will also report on any proposals for the

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[ 2 ] Rule 34 stipulates that these elections shall be held after those of the Chairmen of the two Main Committees provided for in Rule 45. Before this item is taken it will accordingly be necessary to hold brief meetings of the two Committees (the Programme, Technical and Budget Committee and the Administrative and Legal Committee) at which these two bodies can elect their respective Chairmen.

inclusion of additional items of an important or urgent character in the agenda (Rule 15) that may have been made at the outset of the session. After considering this report, the General Conference will approve the agenda for the session (Rule 14) and allocate the items for initial discussion.

9. Closing date for the session General Committee

Under Rule 8 the General Conference is required to fix a closing date for the session, after considering a recommendation on the subject which the General Committee will make.

10. The composition of the Board of Governors Plenary meeting

As a consequence of the recommendation the General Conference made to the Board in resolution GC(IV)/RES/85, the Board is in turn recommending the General Conference, in document GC(V)/151, to approve an amendment to Article VI.A.3 of the Statute.

11. General debate and report of the Board of Governors for 1960-61 Plenary meeting

Under Article V.E.4 of the Statute, the General Conference is required to consider the annual report for the year 1960-61 which the Board is preparing in accordance with Article VI.J. It is suggested that after the General Conference has first taken the report in plenary meeting, any matters which call for more detailed or prolonged consideration could subsequently be referred to the appropriate Committee, which could later submit its recommendations thereon to the General Conference in plenary meeting.

12. Opening date of the sixth regular session General Committee

Under Rule 1 the General Conference is required to set the opening date of the sixth regular session.

13. Election of Members to the Board of Governors General Committee

The terms of office of Bulgaria, Ceylon, the Philippines, Mexico and Spain as elected Members of the Board will expire at the end of the fifth regular session of the General Conference. Under Rule 86 the General Committee is required to determine the number of elective places on the Board to be filled by the General Conference so that, after the end of the session, the Board will include ten Members so elected. Rules 79 - 81 and 83 - 88 relate to the conduct of the elections, and the Members elected will hold office until the end of the seventh regular session (Article VI.D of the Statute and Rule 84).

14. The Agency's program and budget for 1962 Programme, Technical and Budget Committee

Under Article V.E.5 of the Statute the General Conference is required to approve the budget of the Agency for 1962 on the basis of estimates for expenses which the Board will submit to it under Article XIV.A, or to return the budget with recommendations as to its entirety or parts to the Board, for re-submission to the General Conference. The Board's proposals for next year's program and budget will be circulated as document GC(V)/155.

15. Scale of Members' contributions for 1962 Programme, Technical and Budget Committee

The Director General will lay before the General Conference a proposed scale of assessment for Members' contributions to the Agency's regular budget for the year 1962.

16. Studies of nuclear power costs Programme, Technical and Budget Committee

The Board will report to the General Conference in document GC(V)/161 on the results of studies of nuclear power costs and related matters which the General Conference requested in resolution GC(IV)/RES/86, paragraph (c).

17. The question of a general review of the provisions of the Statute Administrative and Legal Committee

This item is included pursuant to Article XVIII, B of the Statute, which reads:

"B. At the fifth annual session of the General Conference following the coming into force of this Statute, the question of a general review of the provisions of this Statute shall be placed on the agenda of that session. On approval by a majority of the members present and voting, the review will take place at the following General Conference. Thereafter, proposals on the question of a general review of this Statute may be submitted for decision by the General Conference under the same procedure."

18. The Agency's accounts for 1960 Administrative and Legal Committee

The Agency's accounts for 1960, together with the External Auditor's report thereon and a report by the Board, will be communicated to the General Conference in document GC(V)/156.

19. The Agency's relations with inter-governmental organizations Administrative and Legal Committee

In line with previous authorizations given to the Board to invite particular inter-governmental organizations to be represented at sessions of the General Conference [ 3 ], the Board is seeking in document GC(V)/157 a similar authorization in respect of the sixth regular session. Under this item it is also possible that the Board may make recommendations for the conclusion of relationship agreements between the Agency and other inter-governmental organizations.

20. The Agency's relations with other organizations in the United Nations family

- (a) Annual reports to United Nations organs Plenary meeting

Procedural recommendations by the Board relating to the Agency's annual reports to the General Assembly for 1960-61 and to the Economic and Social Council for 1961-62 will be before the General Conference in documents GC(V)/158 and GC(V)/159 respectively.

- (b) Relationship agreements Administrative and Legal Committee

In document GC(V)/153 the Board is recommending the General Conference to approve a relationship agreement between the Agency and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, the proposed text of which is annexed thereto. It is possible that the Board may make further similar recommendations under this sub-item.

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[ 3 ] See, for example, resolution GC(IV)/RES/69 in respect of the fifth regular session.

21. Voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1962

Committee for Pledges of Voluntary Contributions to the General Fund

This item is proposed by the Board under Rule 12(b). The Board suggests that the measures to be taken to obtain voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1962 should follow the pattern adopted in respect of the present year. [4]

22. Appointment of the Director General

Plenary meeting

Since the period of appointment of the present Director General will end during the current year, the Board will seek the General Conference's approval, pursuant to Article VII. A of the Statute, of the appointment to the post it intends to make.

23. Appointment of an External Auditor

Plenary meeting

The Auditor General of the Federal Republic of Germany is at present serving as the Agency's External Auditor. Since his appointment will expire on 3 October 1961 it will be necessary for the General Conference to make a further appointment.

24. Election of members to the Agency's Staff Pension Committee

Plenary meeting

This item is included to provide for the contingency that either of the members or the alternate member of the Agency's Staff Pension Committee may be unable to continue to exercise their functions until the sixth regular session.

25. Closing of the session

Plenary meeting

Under Rule 48 the President will invite the delegates to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation, and immediately thereafter declare the session closed.

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[4] See document GC(IV)/COM.4/OR.2, paragraphs 13-18.