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CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES TO THE FIFTH REGULAR SESSION

(b) REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman: Dr. T.A. MARULANDA (Colombia)

1. At its 48th plenary meeting on 26 September 1961, the General Conference appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following members:

Colombia	Thailand
El Salvador	United Arab Republic
France	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Lebanon	United States of America
Romania	

2. The Credentials Committee held meetings on 27 September and 5 October 1961 at which all members were represented.

3. Dr. T.A. Marulanda (Colombia) was unanimously elected Chairman of the Committee.

4. The delegate of Romania stated that his delegation did not recognize as valid any credentials issued on behalf of China other than those issued by the Government of the People's Republic of China. He stated that there was only one China and its lawful Government, the Government of the People's Republic of China, was alone entitled to represent the Chinese people, who constituted one quarter of mankind, in the Agency. He moved a motion to exclude the name of China from the list of the delegations which had submitted their credentials for the General Conference.

5. The delegate of the United States of America proposed that the Committee should recommend to the General Conference the adoption of the draft resolution which is reproduced as draft resolution I at the end of this report. He declared that it was desirable that the General Conference, by adopting his draft, should follow the precedents set by the General Assembly of the United Nations and by other international bodies. The delegate of

the United States of America proposed that his motion should be voted on before the motion of the Romanian representative as set out in paragraph 4.

6. The delegate of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics stated that only delegates appointed by the Government of the People's Republic of China, which was the only lawful Government of China, were entitled to represent China in the General Conference and other organs of the Agency. The Soviet delegation did not recognize any other credentials for China than those issued by the Government of the People's Republic of China. Therefore he supported the proposal of the Romanian delegate. The delegate of the Soviet Union having referred to Rule 77 of the Rules of Procedure urged that the Romanian proposal should be put to the vote first.

7. The delegate of the United Arab Republic stated that his Government recognizes the Government of the People's Republic of China as the only Government representing China, and therefore he would vote against the proposals of the United States of America.

8. The Committee decided by five votes to three in favor of voting first on the United States motion.

9. The delegates of Romania and the Soviet Union stated that the Committee was not competent to take a decision on the first paragraph of the motion proposed by the delegate of the United States of America because, according to the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Committee's only responsibility was to decide whether or not credentials were in order.

10. The representative of the United States replied that the Committee was competent to make recommendations to the Conference on matters of credentials and representation, and that in previous years the Committee had decided that it was competent to recommend the proposal advanced by the United States.

11. The Committee decided by six votes to two that it was competent to decide on the first paragraph of the United States motion.

12. The United States motion was put to the vote and was adopted by five votes to three.

13. The delegate of the United States of America then introduced a motion that the Credentials Committee, bearing in mind the resolutions adopted by

the General Assembly of the United Nations in regard to the Hungarian question, take no decision regarding the credentials submitted on behalf of the representatives of Hungary. The delegate of the Soviet Union stated that there was no reason to question the validity of the credentials issued by the lawful Government of the Hungarian People's Republic. He stressed that on that very day the General Conference had elected Hungary as a member of the Board of Governors. Forty-three votes had been cast in favor of that election. The delegate of Romania also supported the validity of the Hungarian credentials reaffirming that the credentials of the delegate of the Hungarian People's Republic were fully in order. The delegate of Romania said he could not understand the position of the delegate of the United States, since the latter's Government maintained diplomatic relations with the Hungarian People's Republic. The Committee adopted the United States motion by four votes to three with one abstention.

14. The Committee found that credentials satisfying the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference had been submitted to the Director General of the Agency for the delegates of the following Member States:

Afghanistan	Ghana
Albania	Greece
Argentina	Holy See
Australia	Iceland
Austria	India
Belgium	Indonesia
Bulgaria	Iran
Burma	Iraq
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	Israel
Canada	Japan
Ceylon	Korea, Republic of
Chile	Lebanon
China	Mexico
Colombia	Monaco
Czechoslovak Socialist Republic	Morocco
Denmark	Netherlands
Ecuador	New Zealand
El Salvador	Nicaragua
Ethiopia	Norway
Finland	Pakistan
France	Peru
Germany, Federal	Philippines
Republic of	Poland
	Portugal

Romania	Union of Soviet Socialist
Senegal	Republics
South Africa	United Arab Republic
Spain	United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Sweden	Northern Ireland
Switzerland	United States of America
Thailand	Venezuela
Tunisia	Viet-Nam
Turkey	Yugoslavia
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist	
Republic	

15. The Committee further found that the credentials submitted for the delegates of the following Member States did not satisfy the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference:

Brazil	Haiti
Cuba	Honduras
Guatemala	Italy

16. The following Member States were not represented at the fifth session of the General Conference:

Cambodia	Mali
Dominican Republic	Paraguay
Luxembourg	Sudan

17. The Committee decided to ask the Director General to request the Member States which had not already done so to submit credentials which would satisfy the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure. The Committee proposed that, pending the submission of such credentials, the representatives concerned should be seated provisionally with the same rights as other representatives.

18. The Committee submits to the General Conference the following two draft resolutions:

I

CREREDENTIALS OF THE DELEGATES TO THE FIFTH SESSION
OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The General Conference

1. Decides not to consider, at its fifth regular session, any proposals to exclude the delegate of the Government of the Republic of China or to seat a delegate of the Government of the People's Republic of China; and

2. Finds that the credentials of the delegate of the Government of the Republic of China conform with the provisions of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure.

II

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The General Conference

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.