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GENERAL COMMITTEE

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Memorandum by the Director General

1. Under Rule 86 of the Rules of Procedure the General Committee is called upon both to determine the number of elective places which must be filled on the Board of Governors by the General Conference and to specify each geographical area in respect of which an election is required, so as to ensure compliance with the provisions of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute. In accordance with the present texts of that Article and Rule, the Board must include ten Members so elected.

2. Of the present ten Members elected at previous sessions, the terms of office of the following will expire at the end of the sixth regular session:

Argentina,	Iraq, and
El Salvador,	Thailand. ^{1/}
The Federal Republic of Germany,	

The Committee will, therefore, no doubt wish to determine and so report to the General Conference that five Members must be elected to the Board during its sixth regular session, provided that the present text of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute remains unchanged.

3. The other elected Members are at present:

Colombia,	Pakistan, and
Greece,	Viet-Nam. ^{2/}
Hungary,	

^{1/} See document GC(IV)/RESOLUTIONS, page 22 and Article VI.D of the Statute.

^{2/} See document GC(V)/RESOLUTIONS, decision number GC(V)/DEC/9.

There will thus remain Members elected to the Board by the General Conference in five of the geographical areas specified in Rule 83 - Latin America, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, South Asia and the Far East. As a consequence, the Committee will doubtless wish, provided that the present text of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute remains unchanged, to specify that elections must be held for the two areas Africa and the Middle East, and South East Asia and the Pacific in order that the provisions of Rule 86 may be fully complied with.

4. If, however, the amendment to Article VI.A.3 of the Statute which the General Conference approved by Resolution GC(V)/RES/92 should come into force before the end of the Board during the sixth regular session, the new Board will have to include 12 Members elected by the General Conference^{3/}. In that event, the Committee will doubtless wish to determine, in the light of the information given in paragraph 2 above, and report to the Conference that it must elect seven Members during the session.

5. The amended text of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute will provide that the Members of the Board elected by the General Conference shall consist of:

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| 3 from Latin America; | 1 from South Asia; |
| 1 from Western Europe; | 1 from South East Asia and
the Pacific; |
| 1 from Eastern Europe; | 1 from the Far East; and |
| 3 from Africa and the Middle
East; | 1 other Member. |

If therefore that text comes into force before the session ends, the Committee will, in the light of the information given in the first and second sentences of paragraph 3 above, presumably wish to specify that two Members must be elected from Latin America, three from Africa and the Middle East and one from South East Asia and the Pacific.

6. For the Committee's convenience, a draft of its report to the General Conference is annexed hereto. The draft follows the text of the similar report the Committee made to the General Conference at its fifth regular session^{4/}, except that it includes the sense of both paragraphs 2 and 3, as well as of 4 and 5, above as alternatives.

^{3/} In this connection, see the proposal in document GC(VI)/202 for the necessary change to Rule 86 of the Rules of Procedure.

^{4/} GC(V)/172.

ANNEX

Draft document for the General Conference

Sixth regular session

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Report by the General Committee

1. Rule 86 of the Rules of Procedure stipulates that the General Committee shall determine the number of elective places which must be filled on the Board of Governors by the General Conference so as to ensure compliance with the provisions of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute. The Committee accordingly notifies the General Conference that on 18 September 1962 it determined that, provided the existing text of that Article remains unchanged, five Members must be elected to the Board during the present session. In this connection the Committee invites attention to the last provision in the Article, which stipulates that

"... no member in this category of members elected to the Board by the General Conference in any one term of office will be eligible for re-election in the same category for the following term of office." 1/

2. Rule 86 further provides that the General Committee shall specify each geographical area in respect of which an election is required to ensure that, after the end of the session, the Board shall include a Member elected by the General Conference from each geographical area, except North America, specified in Rule 83. In compliance with this provision, the Committee hereby specifies that, if Article VI.A.3 of the Statute remains unchanged, elections are required in respect of two geographical areas:

- (a) Africa and the Middle East, and
- (b) South East Asia and the Pacific.

1/ The Members to which this provision at present applies are Argentina, El Salvador, the Federal Republic of Germany, Iraq and Thailand - see document GC(VI)/RESOLUTIONS, page 22 and Article VI.D of the Statute.

The other three Members may be elected from any geographical area in so far as their election is not precluded by the provisions of Article VI.

3. The Committee also determined, however, that if the amendment to Article VI.A.3 which the General Conference approved by Resolution GC(V)/RES/92 has come into force before the end of the present session, then seven Members must be elected during it. The Committee hereby specifies that in these circumstances elections will be required in respect of three geographical areas, as follows:

- (a) Two Members from Latin America;
- (b) Three Members from Africa and the Middle East; and
- (c) One Member from South East Asia and the Pacific.

The remaining Member may be elected from any geographical area in so far as its election is not precluded by the provisions of Article VI of the Statute.

4. The Committee has requested its Chairman, in his capacity as President of the General Conference, to inform the Conference immediately before it proceeds to elect Members to the Board whether the situation reflected in paragraphs 1 and 2 or in paragraph 3 above then obtains.

5. In view of the requirement in Rule 83 that the General Conference shall conduct the elections with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the Members in the geographical areas specified in that Rule, it may wish to have before it the following list of Members that have already been designated by the Board^{2/} or elected by the General Conference^{3/} to serve on the Board after the end of the present session:

Argentina	Japan
Australia	Pakistan
Belgium	Poland
Canada	South Africa
Colombia	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Denmark	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
France	United States of America
Greece	
Hungary	Viet-Nam
India	

^{2/} See document GC(VI)/193.

^{3/} See document GC(V)/RESOLUTIONS, decision number GC(V)/DEC/9.