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ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Report of the General Committee

1. Rule 86 of the Rules of Procedure^{1/} requires the General Committee to determine the number of elective places on the Board of Governors which must be filled 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 Conference that it has determined that seven 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 the category [of members elected to the Board by the General Conference] in any one term of office shall be eligible for re-election in the same category for the following term of office."^{2/}

2. Rule 86 further requires the General Committee to specify the geographical areas in respect of which a Member or Members must be elected so as to ensure that after the end of the session the Board shall include three Members elected by the Conference from each of the areas of Latin America and of Africa and the Middle East, and one Member from each of the remaining areas, except North America, specified in Rule 83. In compliance with this provision, the Committee hereby specifies that elections are required at the current session in respect of five geographical areas, as follows:

- 1 Member from Latin America,
- 1 Member from Eastern Europe,
- 2 Members from Africa and the Middle East,
- 1 Member from South Asia, and
- 1 Member from the Far East.

^{1/} GC(VIII)/INF/60.

^{2/} The Members to which this provision at present applies are Afghanistan, China, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Morocco, Romania, Switzerland and Uruguay - see document GC(VII)/RESOLUTIONS, Other Decisions, decision number GC(VII)/DEC/11, and Article VI.D of the Statute.

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

3. In view of the provision in Rule 83 that the 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^{3/} or elected by the Conference^{4/} to serve on the Board after the end of the present session:

Argentina	Portugal
Australia	South Africa
Brazil	Sweden
Canada	Thailand
Chile	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
Czechoslovak Socialist Republic	United Arab Republic
France	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
India	United States of America
Japan	
Netherlands	

^{3/} GC(IX)/298.

^{4/} See document GC(VIII)/RESOLUTIONS, Other Decisions, decision number GC(VIII)/DEC/8.