



International Atomic Energy Agency

# General Conference

GC(X)/GEN/OR.14

1 March 1967

RESTRICTED Distr.

ENGLISH

## OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE TENTH REGULAR SESSION (21-28 SEPTEMBER 1966)

### GENERAL COMMITTEE

### OFFICIAL RECORD OF THE FOURTEENTH MEETING

Held at the Neue Hofburg, Vienna,  
on Wednesday, 21 September 1966, at 4.25 p.m.

Chairman: Mr. SARASIN (Thailand)

### CONTENTS

<i>Item of the agenda*.</i>		<i>Paragraphs</i>
—	Adoption of the agenda for the meeting	1
8	Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion	2 — 9
9	Closing date of the session	10 — 12
11	Opening date of the eleventh regular session	13 — 20
12	Election of Members to the Board of Governors	21 — 22

\* GC(X)/GEN/30.

Present \*)

Mr. SARASIN (Thailand), President of the General Conference, Chairman

\*\*\*\*\*

Mr. McCORDICK (Canada), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. LINDSAY (Ghana), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. MURATA, representing Mr. ASAKAI (Japan), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. HÖCHSTRASSER (Switzerland), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. PASECHNIK (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. MOROKHOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. McADAM CLARK, representing Sir William PENNEY (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. RAJWADE (India), Chairman of the Programme, Technical and Budget Committee

Mr. LESZCZYNSKI (Poland), Chairman of the Administrative and Legal Committee

Mr. TIMBS (Australia), Additional Member

Mr. DUMONT, representing Mr. HIRSCH (France), Additional Member

Mr. CHINE, representing Mr. TORKI (Tunisia), Additional Member

Mr. SMYTH, representing Mr. SEABORG (United States of America), Additional Member

\*\*\*\*\*

Mr. WELLS, Deputy Director General for Administration

Mr. Bolton, Secretary of the Committee

\*) The structure of the General Committee is laid down in Rule 40 of the Rules of Procedure. The composition of the Committee at the tenth regular session will be found in the Annex to document GC(X)/INF/89/Rev.30.

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING [GC(X)/GEN/30]

1. *The agenda proposed for the meeting [GC(X)/GEN/30] was adopted.*

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION [GC(X)/326]

2. The CHAIRMAN, referring to the annotations to the provisional agenda for the session [GC(X)/326], invited the Committee's attention to some recent events in connection with items 17 and 20.

3. In regard to item 17 — Emergency assistance in the event of nuclear radiation accidents — the Board had resumed discussion of the subject and, as was indicated in a statement to the Conference by the Director General 1), intended to complete its deliberations before the Conference's next session; there thus seemed no necessity for the Conference to devote time to discussion of the subject at the present session.

4. As to item 20 — Elections to the Agency's Staff Pension Committee — since no member of that Committee needed to be replaced for the time being, the item could be omitted from the agenda.

5. He would therefore propose that the General Committee recommend to the General Conference an agenda consisting of all the items in the provisional agenda, with the exception of items 17 and 20.

6. *It was so decided.*

7. The CHAIRMAN recalled that in the past the General Committee had gone no further in its report on the agenda than to make recommendations with regard to the allocation of items for initial discussion, leaving it to the President of the Conference to decide, in consultation with the Secretariat, the best order in which to take the items so as to meet the wishes of the largest possible number of delegates. With a view to finishing the session as soon as possible, it would seem advisable for the Committee again to leave the President a similar degree of latitude. He suggested, however, that item 3(b) — Report of the Credentials Committee — be taken as late in the session as possible.

8. *The Committee decided to recommend to the Conference that the items of the agenda be allocated for initial discussion as suggested in document GC(X)/326, and that item 3(b) be taken towards the end of the session.*

1) GC(X)/335/Add.1.

9. *The Committee authorized the Chairman to draw up, with the help of the Secretariat, the report to the Conference containing its recommendations on the agenda and the allocation of items for initial discussion.*

#### CLOSING DATE OF THE SESSION

10. The CHAIRMAN recalled that under Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure the Committee had to recommend a closing date for the session.

11. Consideration of the agenda which the Committee had decided to recommend to the Conference suggested that most time would be devoted to item 10 — General debate and report of the Board of Governors for 1965-66. It was his intention to open the general debate at the next plenary meeting, immediately after adoption of the agenda; the debate would certainly occupy the Conference until the end of the week, but most delegates desired that the Main Committees should also begin their work before them, so that the session could end in the middle of the following week. A preliminary estimate indicated that the Conference could complete its business on Tuesday, 27 September, but a more accurate forecast could be made after the general debate had begun. He therefore suggested that the Committee authorize him to recommend orally on its behalf that the Conference provisionally fix Tuesday, 27 September as the closing date of the session, unless he subsequently came to the conclusion that it would be more realistic to recommend Wednesday, 28 September.

12. *It was so decided.*

#### OPENING DATE OF THE ELEVENTH REGULAR SESSION

13. The CHAIRMAN recalled that it was customary for the General Committee to submit to the Conference a recommendation regarding the opening date of the following regular session, so that the Conference could fix the date as required by Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure. After consulting the Director General on the subject, he felt that the majority of Members of the Agency would like the next session to open likewise on a Wednesday. He therefore suggested that the Committee recommend Wednesday, 20 September 1967, as the opening date of the eleventh regular session.

14. Mr. SMYTH (United States of America) pointed out that most of the previous sessions had opened on a Tuesday, with the preceding meetings of the Board of Governors taking place or beginning on the Friday of the week before. Those extra days between the Board meeting and the General Conference had been extremely useful for

informal consultation. The United States delegation therefore proposed that Tuesday, 19 September 1967 be selected as the opening date for the next session. The Board of Governors could then meet on Friday, 15 September.

15. Mr. TIMBS (Australia) and Mr. MOROKHOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) supported the proposal.

16. Mr. WELLS (Deputy Director General for Administration) explained that Wednesday had been suggested so that the Board would be able to meet on Monday, and the Governors' time would thus be saved.

17. Mr. McADAM CLARK (United Kingdom) thought that it was for the Governors to fix the date of their meetings.

18. Mr. TIMBS (Australia), Mr. DUMONT

(France), and Mr. RAJWADE (India) supported the United States proposal.

19. The CHAIRMAN suggested, in the light of the discussion, that the Committee recommend the Conference to fix Tuesday, 19 September 1967 as the opening date of the eleventh regular session.

20. *It was so decided.*

#### ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS [GC(X)/GEN/29]

21. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to the Director General's memorandum on the election of Members to the Board of Governors [GC(X)/GEN/29]. The Annex to that document contained a draft of the report which the Committee could make to the Conference.

22. *The draft report was approved.*

*The meeting rose at 4.55 p.m.*