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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 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 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 each elected by the Conference from 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 three geographical areas, as follows:

2 Members from Latin America,
1 Member from Africa and the
Middle East, and

1 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.

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

^{2/} The Members to which this provision at present applies are Brazil, Chile, the Netherlands, the Syrian Arab Republic and Thailand - see document GC(XIV)/RESOLUTIONS, Other Decisions, decision number GC(XIV)/DEC/10 and Article VI.D 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 elected by the Conference^{3/} or designated by the Board^{4/} to serve on the Board after the end of the present session:

Australia
Belgium
Brazil
Canada
China
Colombia
Egypt, Arab Republic of
Finland
France
Greece
India

Japan
Poland
Romania
South Africa
Sri Lanka, Republic of
Union of Soviet Socialist
Republics
United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Zaire, Republic of

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

^{4/} GC (XVI)/483.