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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATION
OF ITEMS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION

Request for the inclusion of additional items in the agenda

Proposals by the Board of Governors

1. The Board of Governors desires to inform the General Conference that, in accordance with Rule 15 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference^{1/}, it hereby proposes the inclusion in the agenda of an additional item relating to the Agency's budget for 1977.
2. The Agency's budget for 1977 is based on an exchange rate of 18.50 Austrian schillings to the United States dollar. After a progressive decline during the first six months of 1977, the value of the dollar dropped sharply in July to a level of about 16.00 schillings. As a result of these adverse changes, the Agency will not be able to carry out its approved programme, despite the stringent economy measures which are being applied, unless a supplementary appropriation is approved.
3. Since there is no item on the provisional agenda of the General Conference under which this matter could be considered, the Board recommends that the General Conference should include in its agenda, as an additional item of an important and urgent character, an item permitting it to consider a request for a supplementary appropriation. This additional item would be entitled: "The Agency's budget for 1977: Proposal for supplementary appropriation".

^{1/} GC(XIX)/INF/152.

4. The Board of Governors also wishes to draw the attention of the General Conference to the fact that, since the General Conference appointed the present External Auditor to audit the Agency's accounts for the years 1976 and 1977^{2/}, it will be necessary for the Conference to make an appointment at its forthcoming regular session to provide for the auditing of the accounts in respect of the years 1978 and 1979. In view of the need to provide an opportunity for the General Conference to take the appropriate action, the Board recommends that the Conference should include in its agenda a further additional item entitled: "Appointment of the External Auditor".

5. Furthermore, in order to enable the General Conference to consider these matters in a timely fashion, the Board recommends that the General Conference decide, in accordance with the procedure specified in Rule 15, to allow these items to be considered before the expiry of the seven-day period referred to in that rule.

^{2/} See document GC(XIX)/RESOLUTIONS(1975), Other Decisions, decision number GC(XIX)/DEC/9.