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## EXAMINATION OF DELEGATES' CREDENTIALS

### Report of the General Committee

1. At its twenty-eighth meeting on 28 September the General Committee examined the credentials of delegates to the session, as provided for in Rule 28 of the Conference's Rules of Procedure.<sup>1/</sup>
2. The Chairman of the Committee announced that credentials satisfying the requirements of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure had been submitted to the Director General for the delegates of the following 73 Members:

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Argentina  
Australia  
Austria

Denmark  
Ecuador  
Egypt  
Finland  
France

Bangladesh  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist  
Republic  
Canada

German Democratic Republic  
Germany, Federal Republic of  
Ghana  
Greece  
Guatemala

Chile  
Cuba  
Cyprus  
Czechoslovakia  
Democratic People's Republic of  
Korea

Holy See  
Hungary  
Iceland  
India  
Indonesia

<sup>1/</sup> GC(XIX)/INF/152.

Iraq  
Ireland  
Israel  
Italy  
Japan

Romania  
Saudi Arabia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sri Lanka

Korea, Republic of  
Kuwait  
Lebanon  
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya  
Liechtenstein

Sudan  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Thailand  
Turkey

Luxembourg  
Malaysia  
Mexico  
Monaco  
Mongolia

Ukrainian Soviet Socialist  
Republic  
Union of Soviet Socialist  
Republics  
United Arab Emirates  
United Kingdom of Great Britain  
and Northern Ireland  
United Republic of Tanzania

Netherlands  
New Zealand  
Nigeria  
Norway  
Pakistan

Venezuela  
Yugoslavia  
Zaire

Peru  
Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal  
Qatar

3. The Chairman of the Committee announced further that various official communications received by the Secretariat with respect to the status of the delegates of the following 15 Members did not constitute credentials that satisfied the provisions of Rule 27:

Algeria  
Belgium  
Colombia  
Costa Rica  
Iran<sup>2/</sup>

Senegal  
Syrian Arab Republic  
Tunisia<sup>2/</sup>  
United States of America  
Zambia

Jamaica  
Jordan  
Kenya<sup>2/</sup>  
Niger  
Panama

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<sup>2/</sup> Since the Committee met credentials which the Director General considers satisfactory have been received for the delegate of this Member.

4. The Committee was informed that up to the time of its meeting on 28 September no credentials or other communications of accreditation had been received in respect of the delegate of the following Member:

Uruguay

5. The Committee expressed its consensus in condemning the policy of apartheid of the Government of South Africa.

The views expressed in the course of the discussion are reflected below:

- (a) The representative of Nigeria, referring to the consensus at the twentieth regular session of the General Conference which condemned the apartheid policy of South Africa, and pointing out that the situation had not changed, stated that his delegation could not accept the credentials of South Africa and called upon the Committee not to recognize those credentials. He believed that the examination of credentials was not only a technical question, but should also be related to the adherence of the Member concerned to the principles laid down in the Statute of the Agency;
- (b) The representative of Nigeria was supported by the representatives of Indonesia, Egypt, Sudan, India, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Hungary;
- (c) On the other hand, the representatives of the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Federal Republic of Germany and Japan indicated in their statements that the Committee should confine its attention to the question whether credentials submitted were in good and proper order in accordance with Rules 27 and 28 of the Rules of Procedure and should avoid consideration of the political character of a Government. They all referred to the statements made by their delegations already on previous occasions, such as the last General Conference and the preceding meetings of the Board of Governors, concerning the apartheid régime in South Africa;

- (d) The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics supported the representative of Nigeria and others on the question of the credentials of the racist régime of South Africa. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics further stated that his delegation could also not accept the credentials of the régime of the military junta in Chile and of the régime of South Korea. He also stated that credentials should be examined at the beginning of each of the sessions of the General Conference;
- (e) The representative of Hungary, in condemning the policy of apartheid of the Government of South Africa, fully supported the statement made by the representative of Nigeria as well as the statement made by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on non-acceptance of credentials of the régime of the military junta of Chile and of the régime of South Korea.
- (f) The representative of Peru stated that his Government fully supported the credentials of Chile and that his delegation condemned the apartheid policy of South Africa.
- (g) The representative of Chile stated that the objections expressed with regard to the credentials of Chile were unacceptable, as the credentials submitted by his delegation were in perfect order.

6. It was the consensus of the Committee that in line with past practice those delegates for whom satisfactory credentials had not been received should be allowed to participate in the work of the Conference, on the understanding that satisfactory credentials for each of them would be submitted to the Director General as soon as possible.

7. The Committee recommends the Conference to adopt the following draft resolution:

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##### The General Conference

Accepts the report by the General Committee on its examination of the credentials of delegates to the Conference's twenty-first regular session which is set forth in document GC(XXI)/593.