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ADVANCE INFORMATION FOR DELEGATIONS

1. The twenty-sixth (1982) regular session of the General Conference will open on Monday, 20 September 1982, at 10 a.m. It will be held in the Kongresszentrum, Neue Hofburg, Heldenplatz, in the centre of Vienna.

THE AGENCY'S TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

2. On the occasion of the Agency's twenty-fifth anniversary the Federal President of Austria is expected to address the Conference at the opening meeting. Delegations, guests and visitors are requested to be in their places at 10 a.m. sharp on Monday, 20 September.

ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION

3. The afternoon of Monday, 20 September, is reserved for a round-table discussion. Ministers or senior officials from several Member States and also a representative of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development will discuss "The Role of Nuclear Power in Overall Energy Planning". The round-table discussion will take place in the Festsaal of the Kongresszentrum and will start at 3 p.m.

COMPOSITION OF DELEGATIONS

4. Rule 23 of the Conference's Rules of Procedure^[1] provides for each Member of the Agency to be represented by one delegate, who may be accompanied by as many assistants (alternates, advisers, etc.) as may be needed. The first list of members of delegations will be issued one week before the session opens; it will contain information communicated to the Secretariat up to noon on Friday, 10 September. Governments are requested to communicate at least the provisional composition of their delegations well in advance so that this first edition of the list may be as complete as possible.

[1] GC(XIX)/INF/152.

CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES

5. Each delegate (but not other members of a delegation) will require credentials specifically for the session, even if he is already accredited to the Agency in some other capacity - for example, as Resident Representative. Credentials have to be delivered in due time; this helps to avoid difficulties, particularly for the General Committee. It is accordingly emphasized that, under Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure, credentials should be submitted to the Director General not later than Monday, 13 September, issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Member concerned. If credentials cannot be submitted by Saturday, 18 September, delegates should deliver them direct to the Credentials Officers in the Kongresszentrum either on Sunday, 19 September, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. or on the following Monday morning.

REGISTRATION OF DELEGATIONS

6. It is necessary for each delegation to be registered with the Secretariat. Delegations are urged to register by Saturday, 18 September at the Agency's Registration Counter in the Rotunda at the Vienna International Centre. If that proves to be impracticable, delegations can register at the Conference Registration Desk in the Kongresszentrum either - preferably - on Sunday, 19 September, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., or on the following Monday morning.

PLEDGES OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CO-OPERATION FUND FOR 1983

7. The Board of Governors has set a target of US \$19 million, subject to the Conference's approval, for Members' voluntary contributions to the Technical Assistance and Co-operation Fund for 1983. Before the session opens, a document will be circulated for the purpose of notifying delegates of the contributions that Members have pledged themselves to make^[2]. It will be greatly appreciated if Governments facilitate the timely preparation of this document by communicating their pledges to the Director General as soon as they are in a position to do so.

DOCUMENTS

8. Each delegation is urged to visit Documents Distribution in room FM152 at the VIC not later than Saturday, 18 September and specify its requirements for documents on a form which will be provided. If this is not possible, delegations should apply to the Documents Station at the Kongresszentrum either on Sunday, 19 September, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. or on the following Monday morning.

[2] The corresponding document of last year was GC(XXV)/651.

9. Before the opening of the session one complete set of the Conference documents already issued will be available to each delegation. All documents produced during the session, the Conference Journal containing the daily programme, and other notices will also be issued through the Documents Station.

SPEAKERS IN THE GENERAL DEBATE

10. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers in the general debate may be made directly to the Secretariat of the Policy-Making Organs from 20 July 1982 by telephone (2360/1011) or in writing. The names of delegates will be entered on this list strictly in the order in which requests are received.

STATEMENTS IN THE GENERAL DEBATE

11. It is of considerable help to the interpreters, the précis-writers and the public information service if the Conference Officer can be provided in advance with copies of texts of speeches, where possible typed double-spaced.

General Information

ACCOMMODATION FOR DELEGATIONS

1. Hotels in Vienna are usually heavily booked during the month of September. It is therefore important to reserve accommodation as far in advance as possible. Delegates are advised to make their bookings either direct with the hotel or through their Permanent Mission or Embassy in Vienna.

CURRENCY

2. Bank notes, travellers' cheques and letters of credit may be brought into Austria without restriction, but since not all currencies are in equal demand, a few may not be easily saleable. Departing visitors may take with them 15 000 Austrian schillings in cash plus foreign currencies and/or travellers' cheques up to the equivalent of 26 000 Austrian schillings.

RECEPTIONS AND OTHER EVENTS TAKING PLACE DURING THE CONFERENCE

3. The organizers or sponsors of receptions and other events to be arranged during the Conference are invited to contact the Protocol Office if they wish an announcement regarding such events to be included in the Conference Journal.

4. The Prinz Eugen Saal, on the ground floor of the Kongresszentrum, is available for receptions. Delegations interested in booking this room are requested to contact the Conference Services (Zeremoniensaal, Mezzanine).

