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### Supplementary Item for Inclusion in the Provisional Agenda

1. On 16 July 2013, the Director General received a request, submitted by the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Agency, for the inclusion of an item entitled “Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of the IAEA Decision Making Process” in the agenda of the 57<sup>th</sup> (2013) regular session of the General Conference.
2. Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference<sup>1</sup>, this item is hereby placed on a supplementary list which will be circulated not later than 26 August 2013. The note verbale from the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the accompanying explanatory memorandum relating to the inclusion of this item are attached hereto.
3. It is suggested, for consideration by the General Committee, that in the provisional agenda this item follow the item circulated in GC(57)/1/Add.1 and that it be discussed first in the Committee of the Whole.

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<sup>1</sup> Rules 13 and 20, GC(XXXI)/INF/245/Rev.1





*Permanent Mission of  
ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN  
to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)*

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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the International Atomic Energy Agency presents its compliments to the H.E. the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to request inclusion of a supplementary item in the agenda of the 57<sup>th</sup> regular session of the General Conference of the IAEA entitled "Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of IAEA Decision Making Process."

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to H.E. the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 12 July 2013



Encl.: Explanatory Note

To His Excellency Mr. Yukiya Amano  
Director General  
IAEA



**Explanatory Note by the Islamic Republic of Iran**  
**on Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of**  
**IAEA Decision Making Process**

“Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of IAEA Decision Making Process” is an urgent need to make IAEA corresponded to current global realities. Therefore a comprehensive discussion on IAEA current decision making process and to explore ways and means on promotion of its efficiency and effectiveness particularly in light of the following points are required:

- Recalling Article IV (C) of the Statute on the principles of Sovereign States of all members of the Agency, in order to ensure to all of them the rights and benefits resulting from membership,
- bearing in mind the fundamental structural changes that have been taken place in the recent decades in international relations, particularly in the global nuclear community engaged in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy,
- bearing also in mind the limited and inequitable geographical representation of Members on the IAEA Board of Governors and recalling paragraph ( c ) of the *Resolution GC(41)/RES/20 adopted by the General Conference on 3 October 1997* which noted the interest of Member States of all regions in considering Board membership in the light of geopolitical and technical realities which was endorsed later by the General Conference Resolution entitled GC(43)/RES/19 of October 1999 on amendment to Article VI,
- recognizing the obstacles before entry into force of Resolution GC(43)/RES/19 of October 1999 while the vast majority of Members hold the view to expand the size and composition of the Board,
- taking note of the necessity of direct engagement and participation of all Member States in the decision making process regarding all fundamental issues related to the work of Agency or having impact on sovereign rights of Member States by the Board of Governors resolutions specifically those not adopted with consensus,

- recognizing the need for restructuring the Board of Governors including the mandate and composition, recognizing that the Agency's longer term and strategic decisions, particularly those that could affect sovereign rights, national security, membership status or the interests of Member States in the development and practical application of atomic energy for peaceful uses in accordance with the Statute, shall only be taken by all Member States within the General Conference,
- recalling the decision of previous General Conference to insert the issue of "Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of IAEA Decision Making Process" in to its Agenda which was followed by a the fruitful discussion of the issue in Committee of the whole where several delegations expressed their desire that consultations on the issue continue with a view to its consideration at the 2013 session of the General Conference.

In this vein, the inclusion of an item entitled "Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of IAEA Decision Making Process" in the agenda of the 57<sup>th</sup> regular session of the General Conference would facilitate the continuation of a comprehensive discussion on the issue.