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Attendance

Chair

Ms ŽIAKOVÁ (Slovakia), President of the General Conference

Members

Mr HAMMER (Australia), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr VELTZÉ MICHEL, representing Mr ECHAZÚ ALVARADO (Plurinational State of Bolivia),
Vice-President of the General Conference

Ms HULAN (Canada), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr GHAEBI, representing Mr SALEHI (Islamic Republic of Iran), Vice-President of the General
Conference

Ms ACCILI SABBATINI (Italy), Vice-President of the General Conference

Ms OKEKE, representing Mr JIBRIL (Nigeria), Vice-President of the General Conference

Ms CONSTANTINO, representing Ms RAYOS NATIVIDAD (Philippines), Vice-President of
the General Conference

Mr ISTRATE (Romania), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr GLENDER RIVAS (Mexico), Chair of the Committee of the Whole

Ms MITSI, representing Mr SAPOUNTZIS (Greece), Additional Member

Ms MAKORI, representing Mr JUMA (Kenya), Additional Member

Mr STEINMETZ, representing Mr UNGEHEUER (Luxembourg), Additional Member

Mr ALNUAIMI, representing Mr ALKAABI (United Arab Emirates), Additional Member

Mr ANDERTON, representing Mr PERRY (United States of America), Additional Member

Secretariat

Mr BAUSWEIN, Acting Deputy Director General, Department of Management

Ms WIJEWARDANE, Secretary of the Committee

– **Adoption of the agenda for the meeting**
(GC(62)/GEN/1)

1. The CHAIR said that the proposed agenda for the meeting contained two sub-items under the item ‘Arrangements for the Conference’, namely ‘Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion’ and ‘Closing date of the session and opening date of the next session’.
2. The agenda was adopted.

4. Arrangements for the Conference

(a) Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion
(GC(62)/1 and Add.1, Add.2 and Add.3)

3. The CHAIR reminded the Committee that it was considering only the question of whether or not to recommend the inclusion of items in the agenda, their allocation for initial discussion and the suggested order of the items. In accordance with Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure, members of the Committee should not engage in a discussion of the substance of any item, except in so far as it was relevant to the question of whether to recommend that item’s inclusion in the agenda.
4. If there were no objections, she would take it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference that the agenda for the current session should consist of all the items listed in document GC(62)/1, with the deletion of item 2, and the supplementary item contained in document GC(62)/1/Add.1, on the understanding that an additional item contained in GC(62)/1/Add.3 would be considered separately.
5. It was so decided.
6. The CHAIR noted that document GC(62)/1/Add.3 contained a proposal by the Islamic Republic of Iran for the inclusion on the agenda of an additional item entitled ‘Promotion of efficiency and effectiveness of the IAEA decision-making process’. As the proposal had been received on 13 September 2018, it was to be considered under Rule 15 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, which provided that no additional item could be considered until seven days after it had been placed on the agenda, unless the General Conference, by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting, decided otherwise.
7. She recalled that the item in question had been included on the agenda every year since 2012. If there were no objections, she would take it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference that the agenda for the current session include the additional item contained in document GC(62)/1/Add.3 by waiving the time limit prescribed in Rule 15 of its Rules of Procedure, and that the item therefore be considered during the current session.
8. It was so decided.
9. The CHAIR took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference the suggested allocation of items for initial discussion as contained in documents GC(62)/1 and Add.1, and

that the additional item contained in document GC(62)/1/Add.3 should first be considered by the Committee of the Whole, as had been the case in previous years.

10. It was so decided.

11. The CHAIR took it that the Committee was satisfied with the order of items suggested in documents GC(62)/1 and Add.1, and that the additional item contained in document GC(62)/1/Add.3 should follow the supplementary item contained in document GC(62)/1/Add.1.

12. It was so decided.

(b) Closing date of the session and opening date of the next session

13. The CHAIR said that the time taken up by the general debate was one of the main factors influencing the length of the General Conference session. Over 130 delegations had registered to speak thus far and more would almost certainly inscribe their names before the speakers' list was closed.

14. With the cooperation and goodwill of all delegations, however, it should be possible to conclude the current session on schedule.

15. She suggested that the Committee recommend to the General Conference a closing date for the current session of Friday, 21 September 2018.

16. It was so decided.

17. The CHAIR proposed that the Committee recommend to the General Conference an opening date for the next regular session of Monday, 16 September 2019.

18. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 2.35 p.m.