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Election of Members to the Board of Governors

Memorandum by the President

1. Rule 83 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference¹ provides that before the Conference at each regular session proceeds to elections of the Board of Governors, the presiding officer shall indicate to it those elective places on the Board which must be filled so as to ensure that after the end of the session the Board will be constituted in accordance with Article VI.A of the Statute.
2. The President accordingly informs the Conference that at the current session it will be called upon to elect 11 members to the Board² as follows:
 - (a) Three members from Latin America;
 - (b) Two members from Western Europe;
 - (c) One member from Eastern Europe;
 - (d) Two members from Africa;
 - (e) One member from Middle East and South Asia;
 - (f) One member from South East Asia and the Pacific; and
 - (g) One member from Africa (the so-called 'floating seat').

¹ GC(XXXI)/INF/245/Rev.1.

² To replace Brazil, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Denmark, Kenya, Namibia, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Türkiye, Uruguay (see document GC(66)/RES/DEC(2022), decision GC(66)/DEC/8).

3. The attention of delegates is drawn to the 24 Member States listed below, which will serve as members of the Board until the end of the sixty-ninth regular session (2025), as a result of either previous election by the General Conference in 2023³ or designation by the Board of Governors in June 2024⁴.

Algeria	India
Armenia	Indonesia
Australia	Japan
Bangladesh	Netherlands
Belgium	Paraguay
Brazil	Republic of Korea
Burkina Faso	Russian Federation
Canada	South Africa
China	Spain
Ecuador	Ukraine
France	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Germany	United States of America

³ GC(67)/RES/DEC(2023), decision GC(67)/DEC/8.

⁴ GC(68)/3.