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# Inscription in the List of Speakers in the General Debate

1. In 1989, the General Conference adopted a procedure<sup>1</sup> for determining the order of speakers in the general debate by which a ballot shall be organized by the Secretariat and held in the presence of any representatives of Member States who indicate a wish to attend. The ballot shall determine an order of priority among all the participating Member States.
2. In line with the practice of recent years towards streamlining the application of the above-mentioned procedure, the conduct of the ballot for the speakers' list in the general debate at the forthcoming 68th regular session of the General Conference will take place as follows:
  - The Secretariat of the Policy-making Organs will be available to receive applications for inclusion in the list of speakers in the general debate via email (GC-Speakers-List@iaea.org) from Friday, 14 June 2024, at 10.00 a.m. to Wednesday, 19 June 2024, at 12.00 noon. No participation in the ballot shall be accepted after the period designated for application has expired, i.e., on Wednesday, 19 June 2024, at 12.00 noon.
  - A ballot to determine the order among those who have applied will be held on **Thursday, 20 June 2024, at 11.00 a.m.**, in Board Room C, in the C Building, 4th floor, of the Vienna International Centre (VIC).
  - The result of the ballot, as per past practice, will be shared by the Secretariat with all Permanent Missions via email shortly after the ballot.
3. As per the above-mentioned procedure, the following provisions will also be applied:
  - The names of any Member States applying for inclusion after the ballot shall be added to the list in the order in which they apply.
  - By mutual agreement, Member States shall be permitted to exchange places on the speakers' list.

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<sup>1</sup> Documents GC(XXXIII)/GEN/77 and GC(XXXIII)/OR.320, paras 12–15.

- The practice of giving special priority to **Ministers** shall continue, the Secretariat being guided entirely by information provided by Member States.

4. The General Conference, in its resolutions adopted in 1998<sup>2</sup> and 2023<sup>3</sup>, decided to confer upon the State of Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and as set forth in these resolutions, additional rights and privileges of participation in the work of the Agency, including the right to participate in the general debate. The State of Palestine is therefore entitled to be included in the speakers' list of the general debate in accordance with these resolutions of the General Conference.

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<sup>2</sup> GC(42)/RES/20.

<sup>3</sup> GC(67)/RES/14.