

GENERAL CONFERENCE

MEETINGS

for

Wednesday, 17 September 2003

10.00 a.m.
Plenary Hall

PLENARY:

5th meeting

General debate and Annual Report for 2002
(item 6 continued) GC(47)/2

10.00 a.m.
Meeting Room B

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

3rd meeting

3.00 p.m.*
Plenary Hall

PLENARY:

6th meeting

General debate and Annual Report for 2002 (continued)

3.00 p.m.*
Meeting Room B

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

4th meeting

*Extended session, if
necessary

INFORMAL MEETINGS

EU Coordination Meeting	Wednesday	9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Meeting Room O
WEOG	Wednesday	9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	Meeting Room O
League of Arab States	Wednesday	1.00 p.m.	Meeting Room U-543

FORECAST

for

Thursday, 18 September 2003

9.00 a.m. Meeting Room M	GENERAL COMMITTEE:	2 nd meeting
10.00 a.m. Plenary Hall	PLENARY:	7 th meeting
10.00 a.m. Meeting Room B	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:	5 th meeting
3.00 p.m.* Plenary Hall	PLENARY:	8 th meeting
3.00 p.m.* Meeting Room B	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:	6 th meeting

*Extended session, if necessary

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Plenary 3rd meeting

The Conference took up item 6 of the agenda, “General debate and Annual Report for 2002”. Statements were made by the delegates of Kazakhstan, Yemen, France, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Pakistan, Argentina, Germany, Romania, Croatia, Cuba and Netherlands.

Committee of the Whole 1st meeting

The Committee elected Ambassador Stokes of Australia and Ambassador Vacek of the Czech Republic as Vice-Chairpersons of the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee agreed to take the items referred to it, as far as possible, in the order in which they appear in document GC(47)/COM.5/1.

The Committee also agreed to continue the practice, successfully introduced last year, of clustering to the extent practicable, the draft resolutions submitted to the Plenary by the Committee of the Whole, along the lines of the main pillars of the Agency’s work, namely nuclear safety, technology and verification.

The Committee agreed to recommend the following to the Conference for adoption:

- under agenda item 8, the draft resolution on page Roman I of document GC(47)/4 entitled “The Agency’s Accounts for 2002”.
- under agenda item 9, draft resolution A on “Regular Budget Appropriations for 2004”, draft resolution B, on “Technical Co-operation Fund Allocation for 2004”, and draft resolution C on “The Working Capital Fund in 2004”, contained in the Annex to document GC(47)/3 entitled “The Agency’s Programme and Budget 2004–2005”; and in conclusion of this item, the draft resolution GC(47)/COM.5/L.1 on “The Financing of Safeguards”.
- under agenda item 11, the draft resolution on page 3 of document GC(47)/18/Rev.1 entitled “Scale of Assessment of Members’ Contributions for 2004”.

The Committee then dealt with agenda item 12, “Restoration of voting rights”, and agreed to recommend to the Conference that it take note of the decision of the Board to extend the period of payment plans for arrears from 5 to 10 years.

The Committee took up agenda item 13, for which the omnibus draft resolution GC(47)/COM.5/L.4 on “Measures to Strengthen International Co-operation in Nuclear, Radiation, Transport Safety and Waste Management” is tabled, and deferred a decision on this item to allow for further consultations among Member States.

**Plenary
4th meeting**

The Conference resumed consideration of item 6 of the agenda, “General debate and Annual Report for 2002”. Statements were made by the delegates of Switzerland, Hungary, Malaysia, Jordan, Denmark, Belgium, Spain, Azerbaijan, Namibia, Poland, Chile, Zimbabwe, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Norway, Slovenia, Venezuela and Niger. A statement was made by a representative of the European Commission.

**Committee
of the
Whole
2nd meeting**

Under agenda item 16, the Committee dealt with the draft resolution GC(47)/COM.5/L.5 on “Use of Isotope Hydrology for Water Resources Management”, and agreed to recommend it to the Conference for adoption.

Also under agenda item 16, the Committee opened the floor for consideration of draft resolution GC(47)/COM.5/L.8 on “Agency Activities in the Development of Innovative Nuclear Technology”, but suspended discussion to allow for consideration of amendments proposed by several delegations.

The Committee resumed discussion on agenda item 13, for which a revised omnibus draft resolution on “Measures to Strengthen International Co-operation in Nuclear, Radiation, Transport Safety and Waste Management” was distributed as GC(47)/COM.5/L.4/Rev.1. Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned.

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GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Conference is meeting in the Austria Center Vienna (ACV), Bruno Kreisky Platz 1, 1220 Vienna, which is located next to the Vienna International Centre (VIC). The ACV telephone number is 212 44 00.

The starting time of all meetings will be announced in the Journal. Delegates are requested to be in their places by those times to allow meetings to start punctually. Evening meetings will be announced during the session if they become necessary.

Attached are Seating Plans for Conference Room A (Plenary Meetings) and Conference Room B (Committee of the Whole). The numbers in square brackets (e.g. [No. 7]) identifying locations throughout this document correspond to the ACV Floor Plans that are also attached for your convenience.

General information about the Conference, such as the location of meeting rooms and offices, telephone extensions and the various services, may be obtained at the Information Desk on the 2nd floor [No. 11], extensions 2141/2144.

FORMALITIES ON ARRIVAL

Each participant will require a badge with a photograph for entry into the ACV during the session. Members of delegations and other participants who are in possession of a valid VIC grounds pass will not need additional identification. Those designated participants who are not already in possession of a valid VIC grounds pass, should contact the staff at the Registration Desk, who will issue badges for the General Conference that will also be valid for entering the VIC. You are required to identify yourself with valid identification, i.e. passport, driver's licence, etc. Participants may register on the ground floor [No. 1] at the ACV throughout the week of the Conference's session at the Registration Desk in the ACV.

In the interest of security, conference participants are requested to wear their badges when entering the ACV for as long as they are in the building.

CREDENTIALS

Delegates who have not yet submitted their credentials to the Director General are requested to do so immediately at the Credentials Office on the second floor of the ACV, Room C 246, [No. 5], extension 2092.

DELEGATES' LIST

The first revision of the official list of members of delegations was issued on Tuesday, 16 September; it contains information on the composition of delegations which had been communicated to the Secretariat by 5.00 p.m. on Monday, 15 September 2003. If, during the session, changes are required in the particulars provided at the time of registration, delegates are requested to inform the Protocol Office on the 2nd floor at the ACV, Room C 246 [No. 5], extension 2090, in writing, so that the list of delegation members may be brought up to date.

SPEAKERS' LIST FOR PLENARY MEETINGS

At plenary meetings the President calls upon speakers on each item in the order in which they have entered their names on a written list. Delegates wishing to speak on an item are requested to inform Mr. A. Donà, on the 2nd floor at the ACV, room A 351 [No. 8], extension 2133, who will also have a table in the Plenary Hall near the podium.

Microphones have been placed on all tables. Delegates are requested to use them for voting by roll call, for explanation of vote, for interventions in the exercise of the right of reply and for procedural motions. At other times, and especially during the general debate, delegates are requested to deliver their statements from the rostrum. **Delegates about to make their statement are asked to come forward to the front when the preceding speaker is making his concluding remarks and to wait at the table marked “next speaker”.**

The Speakers' list for the general debate will close today at 12.00 noon. If there are any delegates who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general debate, they should do so this morning.

STATEMENTS OF DELEGATES

To make more efficient use of the general debate, and in line with recommendations on streamlining the work of the General Conference, delegates are urged to keep the duration of their oral presentations down to **15 minutes at the most**, by focusing on the main points which they wish to make. Copies of the full texts (in the original language) will, if delegates so request, be made available to other delegates during the session.

To facilitate interpretation, the texts of statements to be delivered should be handed to the Conference Officer in advance. In addition, to facilitate the posting of statements on the Agency's website, copies of statements should be provided in electronic form as early as possible to the Division of Public Information. Statements should be e-mailed to **worldatom@iaea.org**.

To facilitate the preparation of the records of the proceedings, it would be appreciated if delegates intending to provide the Secretariat with texts of statements would have them typed double-spaced (like this paragraph).

DOCUMENTS

Delegates are reminded that General Conference documentation is available electronically and are urged to make full use of this service so as to reduce the costs to the Agency of printing and distributing hard copies of documents. The address is:

<http://www.iaea.org/worldatom/About/Policy/GC/>

Documents in hard copy will continue to be available at the Documents Station on the 2nd floor at the ACV [No. 8].

Delegates wishing to submit draft resolutions or other documents to the Conference during the session are requested to provide the Conference Secretariat on the 2nd floor at the ACV, Room B 548 [No. 15], extension 2011, or the appropriate Committee Secretary, with the text as early as possible.

A limited amount of typing can be arranged for delegations by Documents Services, on the 2nd floor at the ACV, room A 350 [No. 7].

USE OF RADIO RECEIVERS IN MEETING ROOMS	In meeting rooms A, B, C, M, N and O of the ACV, portable radio receivers will be available, enabling participants to follow the proceedings in the original language and in the other working languages of the Conference. As these receivers must be serviced between meetings, participants are requested not to remove them from the meeting rooms.
USE OF MOBILE TELEPHONES IN MEETINGS ROOMS	Participants are requested to turn off mobile telephones when entering any of the meeting rooms.
SMOKING	Participants are requested not to smoke in the meeting rooms.
TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION FUND FOR 2004	<p>To enable up-to-date information to be provided to the General Conference regarding contributions to the Technical Co-operation Fund for 2004, the Contributions Officer, Mr. D.K. Sharma, will be available to receive pledges in his office on the 2nd floor at the ACV, room A 443 [No. 13], extension 2112, or, immediately before and during plenary meetings, at a desk in the Plenary Hall near the podium.</p> <p>The Contributions Officer and his staff are also available to discuss issues pertaining to Regular Budget and assessed programme costs payments as well as to respond to any questions Member States may have in respect of arrears, payment plans and voting rights.</p>

OTHER MEETINGS

The following additional meetings have been scheduled:

SCIENTIFIC FORUM

The Scientific Forum continues this morning at 10.00 a.m. with Session 3, namely **IAEA Safety Standards**, followed by **Safeguards Technology** at 3.00 p.m. in the afternoon.

Where: Conference Room C (ACV).

MEETING OF THE PLUTONIUM MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES GROUP 2003

When: Wednesday, 17 September 2003 at 10 a.m.

Where: Meeting Room J-241/2 at the ACV

TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION MEETINGS

There will be meetings of representatives of AFRA, ARCAL and RCA Co-operative Agreements. Member State representatives from the regions of Europe and West Asia will also hold individual group meetings. Representatives of Member States of ARASIA will also hold a group meeting. There will also be a meeting of the Quadripartite Forum (AFRA, ARASIA, ARCAL, RCA).

The timetable and locations of the meetings are as follows:

RCA: When: Wednesday, 17 September, 9.00 a.m.–1.00 p.m.
Where: VIC, 7th Floor, Conference Room V

Europe Group Meeting: When: Thursday, 18 September, 10.00 a.m.–12.00 noon
Where: VIC, 4th Floor, IAEA Board Room

West Asia Group Meeting: When: Thursday, 18 September, 10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.
Where: VIC, 7th Floor, Conference Room V

ARASIA Group Meeting: When: Thursday, 18 September, 9.00 a.m.–10.30 a.m.
Where: VIC, 7th Floor, Conference Room V

Quadripartite Forum (AFRA, ARASIA, ARCAL, RCA)
When: Thursday, 18 September, 3.00 p.m.–6.00 p.m.
Where: VIC, 7th Floor, Conference Room V

Consultations with Member States

Consultations with the representatives of most Member States that are engaged in technical co-operation with the Agency are being held prior to the Conference session. For delegations present in Vienna only during the week of the Conference session, and for specific issues and/or special problems, meetings will be arranged during that week. In such cases, the Department of Technical Co-operation will provide advance notice of the meeting times and venues to individual delegations. Delegations that do not receive such advance notice but wish to discuss technical co-operation projects with members of the Secretariat are requested to contact the appropriate TC Area Section Head at the ACV (Africa — Mr. A. Boussaha; East Asia & the Pacific — Mr. M. Razley; Europe — Mr. M. Samiei; Latin America — Mr. G. Piderit; and West Asia — Mr. S. Chaudhri).

EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS

As in previous years, a number of exhibits and displays have been arranged by the Secretariat. They are located on the 2nd floor at the ACV. A location plan for the exhibits and displays is attached for your convenience.

Exhibit on technical co-operation between the IAEA and the Republic of Korea

The Republic of Korea has prepared an exhibit on technical co-operation between the IAEA and the Republic of Korea. It is situated between Foyer A and B on the 2nd floor at the ACV and is on display until the end of today's Conference session.

The exhibit is entitled "Atoms for the Next Generation – the new era of nuclear energy in the coming 50 years". Particular emphasis will be placed on nuclear knowledge management and associated future education and training.

Exhibit by Argentina

Argentina has prepared an exhibit on national nuclear technology. The official opening, in the presence of the Director General, Mohamed ElBaradei, and the Permanent Representative of Argentina, Ambassador Elsa Kelly, will take place today:

When: Wednesday, 17 September at 1.00 p.m.

Where: Foyer A on the 2nd floor at the ACV

Safeguards Equipment Handover Ceremony

A ceremony for the handover of the digital Cerenkov viewing device (DCVD), by Ms. Judith Melin, Director General of the Swedish Nuclear Power Inspectorate (SKI), and Ms. Linda Keen, President of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC), to the DDG-SG will take place today:

When: Wednesday, 17 September 2003 at 2.30 p.m.

Where: near the Safeguards Exhibit, Foyer A

The DCVD is an instrument that has been recently developed by the Canadian and Swedish support programmes to the Department of Safeguards, for verification of long cooled and low burn-up spent fuel.

OTHER EVENTS ORGANIZED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

Aldermaston Presentation on Nuclear Disarmament

When: Wednesday, 17 September 2003, at 1.30 p.m.
Where: Meeting Room N on the 1st floor at the ACV

INIS Presentation

The International Nuclear Information System (INIS) is the world's leading information source for scientific and technical literature published worldwide on the peaceful applications of nuclear science and technology.

The presentation will include an overview of INIS, a description of the role of the national INIS centres, and of the INIS information resources, and will highlight the importance of active participation in INIS and the benefits to Member States. It will be an excellent opportunity for questions and discussion.

Extracts from INIS information resources will be distributed on CD-ROM during this presentation.

When: Wednesday, 17 September 2003, from 2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.
Where: Meeting Room J-241/1 at the ACV

Joint Convention Briefing

A briefing session on the benefits of being involved in the Joint Convention will be held tomorrow:

When: Thursday, 18 September 2003 at 2.00 p.m.
Where: Meeting Room O on the 1st floor at the ACV

The Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management is the first international legally binding treaty in its field. The purpose of this briefing is to encourage Member States that are not already parties to the Convention to ratify it as soon as possible. The briefing will explain the objectives and content of the Joint Convention and, in particular, it will set out the benefits of being part of the Convention process and will emphasize that the Convention is as relevant to the needs of countries without nuclear power programmes as it is to those with such programmes.

GENERAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES DURING THE CONFERENCE

SERVICES

Telephone

The Information Desk will take incoming telephone calls for participants. The number is 212 44 00 extension 2141 (through dialing). In addition, a facsimile line will be available at the Information Desk for the receipt of **incoming** facsimile messages for participants. The number is 212 44 00 2145.

Post Office

A Post Office is located on the ground floor [No. 3]. For outgoing long-distance telephone calls and facsimiles, participants are asked to contact the Post Office.

DHL Services

DHL will be providing courier services for the duration of the 47th session of the General Conference and will be located in the Rotunda at the ACV.

Their opening hours are Monday–Friday from 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Document and paper items can be accepted up to 5.00 p.m., but gifts or non-paper items only until 4.00 p.m.

All GC participants can avail themselves of the courier services and will receive the same special rates (cash only) for official or private shipments as applicable to all VIC staff.

Internet Access

An **Internet Corner** has been set up in Foyer B on the 2nd floor at the ACV for delegates wishing to access the Internet.

Delegates may register during the Conference for a specific individual email address valid for the duration of the General Conference.

Computers are available at the Internet Corner so that delegates can send and receive email messages using their individual email address. For those in possession of a WLAN enabled laptop, Internet access via a wireless connection will be possible in the Foyer B lounge. This type of connectivity is also available in the entire C tower of the VIC building.

If your portable notebook/laptop is not WLAN enabled, you may use any of the **4 modem connections** located at 01 Pub. Inf. Area [No. 3] to connect to the Internet.

Electronic Mail

Additionally, the Conference's public address **GENCONF03@IAEA.ORG** may be used to receive email. Senders from outside should specify the recipient's name and country in the subject line in order to ensure that the message is allocated to the proper delegate. Delegates may pick up messages sent to this email address at the Information Desk.

Souvenirs	Souvenirs of the IAEA will be on sale for the duration of the 47 th session of the General Conference and the souvenirs stand is located on the 2 nd floor at the ACV.
Restaurant Facilities	Restaurant facilities will be available at the ACV for the duration of the session. Lunch will be served in the restaurant on the first floor [No. 1] from 11.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. Snacks and beverages will be available all day at the ACV Snack Bar, which is located on the 2 nd floor [No. 10].
Banking Services	<p>Full banking services are available at the VIC from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, and from 8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on Thursday.</p> <p>No banking services will be provided at the ACV, although a cash dispenser is situated on the ground floor next to the Post Office.</p>
Emergency Medical Attention	Emergency medical attention is obtainable in the Medical Service at the VIC from 8.30 a.m. until the close of the last meeting of the day (VIC Building F, 7 th floor, dial 88/22222). For emergency assistance at other times, delegates may apply to the security guard (VIC, dial 88/3903).
ISSUE OF VIC COMMISSARY CARDS TO HEADS OF DELEGATIONS	Heads of delegations are advised that cards entitling them to make purchases at the VIC Commissary will be issued by the United Nations Security Pass Office, which is situated at Gate I , from 8.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. for the duration of the session. After receipt of the card, the bearer is requested to validate it at the Commissary Service Counter (VIC, Building F, basement level -1, Room F-151) from 12 noon to 6.00 p.m.
SECURITY	<p>In co-operation with the United Nations Security and Safety Section (UNSSS), arrangements have been made for ensuring the safety and security of delegates and support staff while at the Austria Center Vienna (ACV) and the Vienna International Center (VIC).</p> <p>In recent weeks, the UNSSS has reviewed all security arrangements and instituted additional measures for the VIC and these measures will be extended to the ACV. These measures include: additional police protection around the premises; increased presence of UNSSS officers; stricter metal detector enforcement and access control; and strengthened contingency responses.</p> <p>In view of the added security measures, we are making every effort to expedite the registration and check-in process to make it as smooth as possible and extra staff will be mobilized to minimize delays.</p> <p>We seek your understanding and request all persons attending the Conference to co-operate with the security personnel.</p>
Lost and found	Please make sure that your personal belongings are not left unattended. Items found should be handed to the Lost and Found Office in the VIC, Building F, ground floor, Room F OE21, extension 3903.

**EMERGENCY
STAIRCASES IN
THE ACV**

The emergency staircases in the ACV cannot be used for going from one floor to another. Although they can be entered on any floor, the only exits are at the -3 (i.e. lowest) level. They should therefore be used only in a real emergency. In the event of an emergency evacuation (orientation map attached), please follow the instructions of the United Nations security personnel on duty.

**ACCESS TO THE
ACV FROM THE VIC**

Participants can enter the ACV via the VIC through connecting doors located on the ground floor of Building G of the VIC.

**PARKING AT THE
ACV**

Parking space is reserved on parking decks 1 and 2 of the ACV. For official cars with chauffeurs, red stickers entitling the cars to be driven to the main entrance of the ACV will be issued. For other cars, General Conference or VIC grounds passes will suffice as identification for free parking in this area. Drivers are requested to obtain a parking ticket from the ACV parking dispenser when they first enter the ACV garage and exchange it for a cost-free parking permit, valid until the end of the Conference, at the Registration Desk at the ACV on the ground floor [No. 1].

**PUBLIC
TRANSPORT**

It is possible to travel between the VIC and Vienna's city centre by underground train (U-Bahn). Tickets may be purchased at U-Bahn stations or in advance, in quantities of five or ten, at most Austrian tobacco shops (identified by the round **AUSTRIA TABAK** sign) and at the newspaper stand in the Rotunda at the VIC. Weekly tickets are also available.

**CONFERENCE
JOURNAL AND
SOCIAL CALENDER**

The organizers or sponsors of receptions and other events to be arranged during the Conference are invited to get in touch with the Protocol Office or with Ms. Blacker, the Editor of the Conference Journal on the 2nd floor [No. 16], extension 2120, if they wish to have such events publicized.

CHAIRPERSONS OR CO-ORDINATORS OF AREA AND OTHER GROUPS — September 2003

GROUP	CHAIRPERSON/ CO-ORDINATOR	NAME
NORTH AMERICA	USA	Ambassador BRILL (Mr. Noble/Mr. Augustine/Mr. Hamilton)
	Canada	Ambassador HALL (Mr. Proudfoot)
LATIN AMERICA (GRULAC)	Chile	Ambassador GONZALEZ ANINAT
WESTERN EUROPE	Switzerland	Ambassador REIMANN
	Finland	Ambassador GROENBERG
EASTERN EUROPE	Armenia	Ambassador TABIBIAN
AFRICA	Tunisia	Ambassador HENDAOU
MIDDLE EAST AND SOUTH ASIA	India	Ambassador SREENIVASAN (Mr. Deshpande)
SOUTH EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	Australia	Ambassador Ms. STOKES (Mr Mason)
FAR EAST	Philippines	Ambassador GARCIA III
GROUP OF 77 & CHINA	Brazil	Ambassador ABDENUR
WEOG	New Zealand	Ambassador BRIDGE
ASIAN GROUP	Japan	Ambassador TAKASU
EUROPEAN UNION	Italy	Ambassador MORENO
GENEVA GROUP	USA	Ambassador BRILL
	UK	Ambassador JENKINS
NAM (NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT CHAPTER IN VIENNA)	Malaysia	Ambassador HUSSEIN (Mr. Rajar Adnan)

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Wednesday, 17 September

1.15 p.m. Lunch*, Mr. Anil Kakodkar, Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission of India - Austria Centre

6.30 p.m. Reception*, Mrs. Benita Ferrero-Waldner, Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs, Austria — Federal Chancellery, Ballhausplatz 2, 1010 Vienna

Thursday, 18 September

1.15 p.m. Lunch reception*, Mr. ZHANG Huazhu, Chairman, China Atomic Energy Authority — China-Restaurant Sichuan, Arbeiterstrandbadgasse 122, A-1220 Vienna

* by invitation only