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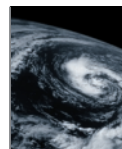
The applications of Angola and Honduras for membership of the Agency were approved by the General Conference on the recommendation of the Board of Governors. Angola subsequently deposited its instrument of acceptance of the Statute and accordingly became the 130th member of the Agency.

The Director General submitted to the Board the Agency's Medium Term Strategy (MTS), which took into account the comments of Board members on an earlier draft strategy, and which it was envisaged would form the basis for the formulation of programme proposals in the years 2001–2005 and structure of the Agency's *Annual Report* in the future. The Board took note both of the Strategy and of the comments made on the understanding that, being a rolling text, it could be used as a starting point and a reference document in the formulation of programme proposals.

The General Conference achieved a successful resolution to the long running question of the amendment of Article VI of the Statute. By resolution GC(43)/RES/19, having considered the Board's observations, the General Conference approved an amendment proposed by Japan, as modified by Slovenia and subsequently further modified, concerning the size and distribution of seats on the Board, by which membership of the Board was expanded from 35 to 43 seats. The amendment further provided that this provision would enter into force only when the Board adopted, and the General Conference confirmed, a list of all Member States of the Agency, whereby each Member State was allocated to one of the areas referred to in the amended Article VI. The General Conference urged all Member States of the Agency to accept the amendment as soon as possible, in accordance with their respective constitutional processes.

The General Conference, having considered the observations of the Board of Governors, approved an amendment to Article XIV.A of the Agency's Statute submitted by Slovenia, so as to provide for biennial budgeting in the Agency. This was preceded earlier in the year by the Board's endorsement of the Secretariat's proposals with respect to biennial programming changes. Both this amendment and the amendment to Article VI have since been circulated to Member States for ratification as required by the Statute.

The Board considered the issue of the proliferation potential of neptunium and americium on a number of occasions during the year. With regard to neptunium, while the Board acknowledged that the proliferation risk was



considerably lower than for uranium or plutonium, it authorized the Director General to apply the monitoring scheme which he had recommended, and further recognized that monitoring should be carried out on a

voluntary basis. With regard to americium, while there was at present practically no proliferation risk, the Board decided that the Director General should report to it, when appropriate, with regard to the availability of

Resolutions of the General Conference in 1999

Number	Title	Date adopted (1999)
GC(43)/RES/1	Application by Honduras for membership of the Agency	27 September
GC(43)/RES/2	Application by Angola for membership of the Agency	27 September
GC(43)/RES/3	Implementation of the agreement between the Agency and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for the application of safeguards in connection with the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons	1 October
GC(43)/RES/4	The Agency's Accounts for 1998	1 October
GC(43)/RES/5	Regular Budget appropriations for 2000	1 October
GC(43)/RES/6	Technical Co-operation Fund Allocation for 2000	1 October
GC(43)/RES/7	The Working Capital Fund in 2000	1 October
GC(43)/RES/8	Amendment of Article XIV.A of the Statute	1 October
GC(43)/RES/9	Scale of assessment of members' contributions for 2000	1 October
GC(43)/RES/10	The safety of radiation sources and the security of radioactive materials	1 October
GC(43)/RES/11	Safety of transport of radioactive materials	1 October
GC(43)/RES/12	The radiological protection of patients	1 October
GC(43)/RES/13	Measures to strengthen international co-operation in nuclear, radiation and waste safety	1 October
GC(43)/RES/14	Strengthening of the Agency's technical co-operation activities	1 October
GC(43)/RES/15	Plan for producing potable water economically	1 October
GC(43)/RES/16	Extensive use of isotope hydrology for water resources management	1 October
GC(43)/RES/17	Strengthening the effectiveness and improving the efficiency of the safeguards system and application of the Model Protocol	1 October
GC(43)/RES/18	Measures against illicit trafficking in nuclear materials and other radioactive sources	1 October
GC(43)/RES/19	Amendment to Article VI of the Statute	1 October
GC(43)/RES/20	Personnel: Staffing of the Agency's Secretariat	1 October
GC(43)/RES/21	Personnel: Women in the Secretariat	1 October
GC(43)/RES/22	Implementation of United Nations Security Council resolutions relating to Iraq	1 October
GC(43)/RES/23	Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East	1 October
GC(43)/RES/24	Examination of delegates' credentials	1 October

this material and relevant emerging programmes in States. The Board called on all States to protect and control these materials.

With regard to the financing of technical co-operation, at the request of the General Conference the Board began discussions with a view to recommending to the General Conference target figures for 2001–2002 and Indicative Planning Figures for 2003–2004. The Ambassadors of Finland and Mexico were appointed by the Board as joint co-ordinators to engage in consultations with interested Member States.

As the General Conference had requested in 1995 that the Board review arrangements for

the financing of the safeguards component of the Regular Budget by 2000 at the latest, the Board agreed to initiate consultations among interested Member States with a view to the approval of arrangements in June 2000. Accordingly, the Ambassador of Spain was appointed to undertake the consultations.

The General Conference appointed the Comptroller and Auditor General of the United Kingdom as the External Auditor to audit the Agency's accounts for the years 2000 and 2001.

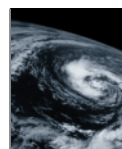
The Board approved the adoption of an Agency flag and its use in accordance with a flag code, which was subsequently promulgated by the Director General.

The Board of Governors, 1999–2000

The composition of the Board of Governors in 1999–2000 at the conclusion of the 43rd (1999) regular session of the General Conference was as follows:

- Algeria
- Argentina
- Australia
- Austria
- Belarus
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- Cuba
- Egypt
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- India
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Jordan
- Republic of Korea
- Nigeria
- Norway
- Poland
- Russian Federation
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- Slovakia
- South Africa
- Sudan
- Sweden
- Syrian Arab Republic
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- USA
- Uruguay

The Chairman of the Board for 1999–2000 was H.E. Sergio de Queiroz Duarte of Brazil. The Vice-Chairmen were H.E. Tom Grönberg of Finland and H.E. Miroslav Lipár of Slovakia. ■



General Conference Resolution GC(43)/RES/19 AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI OF THE STATUTE

Resolution adopted on 1 October 1999 during the ninth plenary meeting

The General Conference,

- (a) *Recalling* its decision GC(42)/DEC/10 which requested the Board of Governors, inter alia, to submit its report on a finalized formula on amending Article VI of the Statute and all previous resolutions and decisions on the subject,
 - (b) *Having examined* the proposal for amendment of Article VI of the Statute submitted by Japan in accordance with Article XVIII.A of the Statute, contained in Annex 1 to document GC(42)/19,
 - (c) *Having also examined* the proposal for the modification of the Japanese amendment submitted by Slovenia in accordance with Article XVIII.A of the Statute, contained in document GC(43)/12,
 - (d) *Having also considered the report and recommendations* of the Board of Governors contained in document GC(43)/12, which constitute the Board's observations on the aforesaid modification to the Japanese proposal proposed by Slovenia,
 - (e) *Having also considered* the Board's observations on the aforesaid Japanese proposal to amend Article VI,
1. Approves the aforesaid modification proposed by Slovenia to the amendment of Article VI proposed by Japan;
 2. Approves the amendment proposed by Japan, as modified in operative paragraph (1) and as further modified, by which Article VI of the Agency's Statute is amended as follows:
 - I. Replace paragraph A of Article VI of the Agency's Statute by the following:
 - A. The Board of Governors shall be composed as follows:
 1. The outgoing Board of Governors shall designate for membership on the Board the eighteen members most advanced in the technology of atomic energy including the production of source materials, the designated seats to be distributed among the areas mentioned below as follows:

North America	2
Latin America	2
Western Europe	4
Eastern Europe	2
Africa	2
Middle East and South Asia	2
South East Asia and the Pacific	1
Far East	3
 2. The General Conference shall elect to membership of the Board of Governors:
 - (a) Twenty-two members, with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the members in the areas listed in sub-paragraph A.1 of this article, so that the Board shall at all times include in this category:

four representatives of the area of Latin America,
four representatives of the area of Western Europe,
three representatives of the area of Eastern Europe,
five representatives of the area of Africa,
three representatives of the area of the Middle East and South Asia,
two representatives of the area of South East Asia and the Pacific, and
one representative of the area of Far East.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI OF THE STATUTE (cont.)

- (b) Two further members from among the members in the following areas:

Western Europe
Eastern Europe
Middle East and South Asia

- (c) One further member from among the members in the following areas:

Latin America
Eastern Europe”

and

- II. Add at the end of Article VI the following new paragraph:

“K. The provisions of paragraph A of this Article, as approved by the General Conference on 1 October 1999, shall enter into force when the requirements of Article XVIII.C are met and the General Conference confirms a list of all Member States of the Agency which has been adopted by the Board, in both cases by ninety per cent of those present and voting, whereby each Member State is allocated to one of the areas referred to in sub-paragraph 1 of paragraph A of this Article. Any change to the list thereafter may be made by the Board with the confirmation of the General Conference, in both cases by ninety per cent of those present and voting and only after a consensus on the proposed change is reached within any area affected by the change”.

3. *Urges* all Member States of the Agency to accept this amendment as soon as possible in accordance with their respective constitutional processes, as provided for in Article XVIII.C(ii) of the Statute;
4. *Requests* the Director General to report to the General Conference, at its 45th regular session on the progress made towards the entry into force of this amendment. ■

General Conference Resolution GC(43)/RES/8 AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE XIV.A OF THE STATUTE

Resolution adopted on 1 October 1999 during the ninth plenary meeting

The General Conference,

Having considered the proposal for amendment of Article XIV.A of the Agency’s Statute submitted by Slovenia as contained in Annex 2 to document GC(43)/24 in accordance with Article XVIII.A of the Statute,

Having also considered the report and recommendation of the Board of Governors on the proposal for amendment contained in document GC(43)/24, which constitutes the Board’s observations on the amendment submitted in accordance with Article XVIII.C(i) of the Statute,

Approves the aforesaid amendment to replace the word “annual” with the word “biennial” in the first sentence of Article XIV.A of the Statute. ■

