

General Conference

THIRD REGULAR SESSION

Item 23 of the provisional agenda
(GC(III)/72)

GENERAL COMMITTEE

OPENING DATE OF THE FOURTH REGULAR SESSION

Note by the Director General

1. Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure provides that the regular session of the General Conference shall be convened each year

"on a date, normally within the month of September, set by the General Conference at its previous regular annual session".

The General Conference is therefore called upon to decide during its present session the opening date for its fourth regular session in 1960.

2. The Committee may wish to bear the following considerations in mind when preparing its recommendation on this subject to the General Conference:

(a) When the Committee was considering in October 1958 the month in which regular sessions of the General Conference should normally be convened, it was informed that it would be preferable to avoid the first fortnight in September during which there were always very many visitors to Vienna for the Trade Fair (Wiener Messe);^{1/} and

(b) At that time the Committee was also informed that for several reasons Tuesday was a more convenient opening day than Monday.^{2/}

^{1/} GC(II)/GEN/OR.5, para.9.

^{2/} Ibid., paras. 15 and 16.

