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## BLECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

## Report by the General Committee

- 1. Rule 86 of the Rules of Procedure stipulates that the General Committee shall determine the number of elective places which must be filled on the Board of Governors by the General Conference so as to ensure compliance with the provisions of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute. The Committee accordingly notifies the General Conference that on 18 September 1962 it determined that, provided the existing text of that Article remains unchanged, five Members must be elected to the Board during the present session. In this connection the Committee invites attention to the last provision in the Article, which stipulates that
  - "... no member in this category of members elected to the Board by the General Conference in any one term of office will be eligible for re-election in the same category for the following term of office." 1/
- 2. Rule 86 further provides that the General Committee shall specify each geographical area in respect of which an election is required to ensure that, after the end of the session, the Board shall include a Member elected by the General Conference from each geographical area, except North America, specified in Rule 83. In compliance with this provision, the Committee hereby specifies that, if Article VI.A.3 of the Statute remains unchanged, elections are required in respect of two geographical areas:
  - (a) Africa and the Middle East, and
  - (b) South East Asia and the Pacific.

The Members to which this provision at present applies are Argentina, El Salvador, the Federal Republic of Germany, Iraq and Thailand - see document GC(VI)/RESOLUTIONS, page 22 and Article VI.D of the Statute.

The other three Members may be elected from any geographical area in so far as their election is not precluded by the provisions of Article VI.

- 3. The Committee also determined, however, that if the amendment to Article VI.A.3 which the General Conference approved by Resolution GC(V)/RES/92 has come into force before the end of the present session, then seven Members must be elected during it. The Committee hereby specifies that in these circumstances elections will be required in respect of three geographical areas, as follows:
  - (a) Two Members from Latin America;
  - (b) Three Members from Africa and the Middle East; and
  - (c) One Member from South East Asia and the Pacific.

The remaining Member may be elected from any geographical area in so far as its election is not precluded by the provisions of Article VI of the Statute.

- 4. The Committee has requested its Chairman, in his capacity as President of the General Conference, to inform the Conference immediately before it proceeds to elect Members to the Board whether the situation reflected in paragraphs 1 and 2 or in paragraph 3 above then obtains.
- 5. In view of the requirement in Rule 83 that the General Conference shall conduct the elections with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the Members in the geographical areas specified in that Rule, it may wish to have before it the following list of Members that have already been designated by the Board or elected by the General Conference to serve on the Board after the end of the present session:

Argentina Japan
Australia Pakistan
Belgium Poland

Canada South Africa

Colombia Union of Soviet Socialist

Denmark Republics

France
United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland

Greece United States of America

Hungary Viot-Nam

India

<sup>2/</sup> See document GC(VI)/193.

<sup>3/</sup> See document GC(V)/RESOLUTIONS, decision number GC(V)/DEC/9.