Eighth regular session

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Note by the Director General

1. Pursuant to Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference [1] the Director General hereby notifies all Members of the Agency that the eighth regular session will open in the Kongresszentrum, Neue Hofburg, Vienna, on Monday, 14 September 1964, at 2.30 p.m.

2. From the attached provisional agenda for the session, which the Director General has drawn up in consultation with the Board of Governors in accordance with Rule 11, it would seem that the Conference should be able to finish its work in five or six working days.

3. In the annotations to the provisional agenda a suggestion is made against each item, for consideration by the General Committee, as to where the item should first be discussed - in plenary meeting or in one of the committees. The allocation of particular numbers to items should not be construed as a formal proposal that the items should be discussed in that order; the numbers do, however, largely reflect the order in which the Conference took up corresponding items at previous sessions. The Conference may accordingly find it convenient to take items 1 - 11 during the first series of plenary meetings; items 12 - 17 are grouped according to the committee in which it is suggested they should first be discussed; and the remainder are those which it seems likely the Conference will wish to take up in the second series of plenary meetings in the latter half of the session.

4. Should the Director General receive by 15 August any request under Rule 13 for the inclusion of supplementary items in the agenda, such items will, subject to the limitation in Rule 21, be placed on a supplementary list of items which will be circulated not later than 25 August.

[1] GC(VII)/INF/60.
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1. **Opening of the session**

   In the light of Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure, the session is expected to be opened by the delegate of Ceylon. Immediately thereafter the presiding officer will invite the delegates to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation (Rule 48).

2. **Election of the President**

   Under Rule 34 the General Conference is required to elect a President to hold office until the end of the session.

3. **Credentials of delegates to the eighth regular session**

   (a) **Appointment of the Credentials Committee**

   Under Rule 28 the President will propose the appointment of a Credentials Committee of nine Members.

   (b) **Report of the Credentials Committee**

   Under Rule 28 the Credentials Committee is required to examine the credentials of all delegates and report thereon to the General Conference.

4. **Election of the Vice-Presidents**

   Under Rule 34 the Conference is required to elect eight Vice-Presidents to hold office until the end of the session. [2]

5. **Appointment of the General Committee**

   Under Rule 40 the Conference is required to appoint a General Committee consisting of the President, the eight Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the Main Committees and four additional members.

6. **Applications for membership of the Agency**

   Recommendations by the Board of Governors for the admission of Cyprus and Kuwait to membership of the Agency are contained in document GC(VIII)/267.

7. **Statement by the Director General**

   The Director General proposes to make an oral statement to the Conference.

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[2] Rule 34 stipulates that these elections shall be held after those of the Chairmen of the two Main Committees provided for in Rule 45. Before this item is taken it will accordingly be necessary to hold brief meetings of the two Committees (the Programme, Technical and Budget Committee and the Administrative and Legal Committee) at which these two bodies can elect their respective Chairmen.
8. Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion

The General Committee will report to the Conference under Rule 42(a) on the provisional agenda set forth in the present document and on any supplementary list of items (Rule 13); it will also report on any proposals for the inclusion of additional items of an important or urgent character in the agenda (Rule 15) that may have been made at the outset of the session. After considering this report, the Conference will approve the agenda for the session (Rule 14) and allocate the items for initial discussion.

9. Closing date of the session

Under Rule 8 the Conference is required to fix a closing date for the session, after considering a recommendation on the subject which the General Committee will make.

10. General debate and report of the Board of Governors for 1963-64

Under Article V.E.4 of the Statute the Conference is required to consider the annual report for the year 1963-64 which the Board has prepared (document GC(VIII)/270). It is suggested that, after the Conference has first taken the report in plenary, any matter which calls for more detailed consideration could be referred to a Committee, which could later submit its recommendations thereon to the Conference in plenary meeting.

11. Arrangements for the ninth regular session

Under Rule 1 the Conference is required to set the opening date of the ninth regular session. An invitation by the Government of Japan to hold the session in Tokyo will be circulated as document GC(VIII)/269.

12. Election of Members to the Board of Governors

The terms of office of Brazil, Indonesia, Iran, Italy and Mexico as elected Members of the Board will expire at the end of the eighth regular session of the Conference. Under Rule 86 the General Committee is required to determine the number of elective places on the Board to be filled by the General Conference so that, after the end of the session, the Board will be constituted in accordance with the provisions of Article VI.A.3 of the Statute. Rules 79 - 81 and 83 - 88 relate to the conduct of the elections, and the Members elected will hold office until the end of the tenth regular session (Article VI.D of the Statute and Rule 84).


Under Article V.E.5 of the Statute the Conference is required to approve the Agency's budget for 1965 on the basis of estimates for expenses which the Board is submitting to it under Article XIV.A in document GC(VIII)/276 or to return the budget with recommendations as to its entirety or parts to the Board, for re-submission to the Conference. Pursuant to Resolution GC(VII)/RES/154, the Board and the Director General have prepared a two-year programme for the Agency for the years 1965-66 which is to be found in document GC(VIII)/275.

14. Scale of Members' contributions for 1965

The Director General will submit to the Conference a proposed scale of assessment for Members' contributions to the Agency's Regular Budget for the year 1965.
15. Proposal for a change in the Regular Budget appropriations for 1964: item proposed jointly by the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and Hungary

In view of the fact that the General Assembly of the United Nations has approved small reductions in the assessed contributions of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic and Hungary to the budgets of the United Nations for the years 1962-64 [3], the Governments of these two States are considering the desirability of requesting the General Conference to approve corresponding reductions in their assessed contributions to the Agency's budget for 1964. They are accordingly planning to submit a proposal for a slight change in the appropriations for the current year's Regular Budget which the Conference made by Resolution GC(VII)/RES/146.

16. The Agency's accounts for 1963

The Agency's accounts for 1963, together with the External Auditor's report thereon and a report by the Board, will be communicated to the Conference in document GC(VIII)/277.

17. The Agency's relations with intergovernmental organizations

In line with the authorizations the General Conference has previously given to the Board to invite particular intergovernmental organizations to be represented at its sessions [4], the Board is seeking in document GC(VIII)/271 a similar authorization in respect of the ninth session.

18. Annual reports on the Agency's activities

Procedural recommendations by the Board with regard to the Agency's annual reports to the General Assembly of the United Nations for 1963-64 and to the Economic and Social Council for 1964-65 will be before the Conference in documents GC(VIII)/272 and 273 respectively.

19. Elections to the Agency's Staff Pension Committee

Elections may be necessary in order to replace one or more of the members of the Agency's Staff Pension Committee who are chosen by the General Conference.

20. Voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1965

With the concurrence of the Board, the Director General is sending a circular letter to all Governments informing them of the target for voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1965 which the Board has set, subject to the approval of the General Conference. In this letter Governments will also be asked to communicate to the Director General pledges of their contributions to the General Fund for next year. It is suggested that all such pledges should be announced to the Conference in a plenary meeting, at which the delegates of those Member States that had been unable to make pledges in advance would also be invited to state what their Governments' contributions would be.

21. Closing of the session

Under Rule 48 the President will invite the delegates to observe a minute of silence dedicated to prayer or meditation, and immediately thereafter declare the session closed.

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[4] See, for example, Resolution GC(VII)/RES/140 in respect of the eighth regular session.