ADVANCE INFORMATION FOR GOVERNMENTS

GENERAL

1. The purpose of this document is to provide Governments with the first information about the arrangements that are being made for the ninth regular session of the General Conference which, it will be recalled, is to be held in Tokyo at the invitation of the Government of Japan [1]. As further information becomes available it will be communicated to Governments in the form of Addenda to this document.

OPENING DATE OF THE SESSION

2. At the time the Conference accepted the Japanese invitation consultations as to the opening date of the session were still in progress, and the Conference accordingly left it to the Director General to choose a date after such further consultations as were necessary. These have now been completed, and the Director General has set Tuesday, 21 September 1965 as the opening date for the session.

PLACE OF MEETINGS

3. Plans are at present being made for the Conference to meet in the Tokyo Prince Hotel at 3, Shiba Park. This is in the Minato district, which lies about 3 km (1.9 miles) to the south-west of Ginza Street (the centre of the city).

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

4. Tokyo is well provided with hotels which are, however, usually fairly full during the month of September. Governments are therefore urged to reserve the accommodation they will need for their delegations as early in the year as possible.

[1] See document GC(VIII)/OR. 90, paras. 3 to 5.