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GENERAL COMMITTEE

SIXTEENTH MEETING

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on Tuesday, 24 September 1968, at 5.15 p.m.

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* GC(XII)/377.

PRESENT *

Chairman

Mr. SANDOVAL VALLARTA (Mexico), President of the General Conference

Members

Sir Philip BAXTER (Australia), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. da COSTA RIBEIRO (Brazil), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. McCORDICK (Canada), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. SARABHAI (India), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. NIISEKI (Japan), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. BASSUDE (Uganda), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. ARKADIEV, representing Mr. MOROKHOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. WEARING, representing Mr. HILL (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Vice-President of the General Conference
Mr. DUCCI (Italy), Chairman of the Administrative and Legal Committee
Mr. NOWACKI (Poland), Chairman of the Programme, Technical and Budget Committee
Mr. GANEV (Bulgaria), Additional Member
Mr. DUMONT, representing Mr. HIRSCH (France), Additional Member
Mr. PRETSCH (Federal Republic of Germany), Additional Member
Mr. SMYTH, representing Mr. SEABORG (United States of America), Additional Member

Also present

Mr. QUIHILLALT (Argentina), Chairman of the Board of Governors

Secretariat

Mr. HALL, Deputy Director General for Administration
Mr. BOLTON, Secretary of the Committee

* The structure of the General Committee is laid down in Rule 40 of the Rules of Procedure. The composition of the Committee at the twelfth regular session will be found in document GC(XII)/INF/103/Rev.2.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING (GC(XII)/GEN/34)

1. *The agenda proposed for the meeting (GC(XII)/GEN/34) was adopted.*

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATIONS OF ITEMS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION (GC(XII)/377)

2. The CHAIRMAN proposed that the Committee recommend to the General Conference an agenda consisting of all the items of the provisional agenda (GC(XII)/377).

3. *It was so decided.*

4. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to the suggestions made in document GC(XII)/377 with regard to the allocation of items for initial discussion. With regard to the order in which the items should be taken, he recalled that in the past the Committee had left it to the President of the Conference to decide, in consultation with the Secretariat, the order which would best meet the wishes of the largest possible number of delegates. It would seem advisable for the Committee again to leave the President a similar degree of latitude. He suggested, however, that item 3(b) — Report of the Credentials Committee — be taken after the end of the general debate but before the Conference proceeded to adopt resolutions and take other decisions.

5. Mr. ARKADIEV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that it was illogical to wait for the end of the general debate before taking up the report on the credentials of the delegates. He wished to draw the Chairman's attention to that anomaly.

6. Mr. SMYTH (United States of America) said he saw no reason for changing a procedure which had always proved satisfactory in the past.

7. *The Committee decided to recommend to the Conference that the items of the agenda be allocated for initial discussion as suggested in document GC(XII)/377.*

8. *The Committee authorized the Chairman to draw up its report to the Conference.*

CLOSING DATE OF THE SESSION

9. The CHAIRMAN recalled that under Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure the Committee had to recommend a closing date for the session.

10. Consideration of the agenda which the Committee had decided to recommend to the Conference suggested that most time would be needed for item 9 — General debate and report of the Board of Governors for 1967-68. It was unlikely that that item would be disposed of before the end of the week. Bearing in mind the other agenda items, it could not be expected that the session could be completed before 30 September or 1 October. He therefore suggested that the Committee should authorize him to make to the Conference on its behalf, after the general debate had started and when it would be easier to estimate more accurately the time required for that debate, an oral recommendation that either 30 September or 1 October should be fixed as the closing date of the session.

11. *It was so decided.*

OPENING DATE OF THE THIRTEENTH REGULAR SESSION

12. The CHAIRMAN recalled that it was customary for the Committee to submit to the Conference a recommendation regarding the opening date of the following session, which was generally fixed for a Tuesday in the second half of September. After consulting the Director General on the subject, he asked the Committee to authorize him to recommend orally on its behalf that the Conference fix Tuesday, 23 September 1969, as the opening date for the thirteenth regular session.

13. *It was so decided.*

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (GC(XII)/GEN/33)

14. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to the Director General's memorandum on the election of Members to the Board of Governors (GC(XII)/GEN/33). The Annex to that document contained a draft of the report which the Committee could make to the Conference.

15. *The draft report was approved.*

The meeting rose at 5.35 p.m.

