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GENERAL COMMITTEE

RECORD OF THE TWENTIETH MEETING

Held in the conference centre of the Secretariat of External Relations, Mexico City, on Tuesday, 26 September 1972, at 6.45 p.m.

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ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING*

Chairman

Mr. FLORES de la PEÑA (Mexico), President of the General Conference

Members

- Mr. BOSWELL (Australia), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. BERLIS (Canada), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. de LA ROCHEFORDIERE, representing Mr. GIRAUD (France), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. QUARTEY (Ghana), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. SETHNA (India), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. KATO (Japan), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. ANDRZEJEWSKI (Poland), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. ARKADIEV, representing Mr. MOROKHOV (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. MAKINEN (Finland), Chairman of the Administrative and Legal Committee
- Mr. BITTENCOURT (Brazil), Chairman of the Programme, Technical and Budget Committee
- Mr. BARABAS (Czechoslovakia), Additional Member
- Mr. NASSIRULDINE, representing Mr. NAFFAH (Lebanon), Additional Member
- Mr. HERZIG, representing Sir John HILL (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Additional Member
- Mr. PORTER, representing Mr. SCHLESINGER (United States of America), Additional Member

Also present

Baron van BOETZELAER (Netherlands), 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 sixteenth regular session will be found in document GC(XVI)/INF/139/Rev. 3.

THE RECORD

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING (GC(XVI)/GEN/42)

• 1. The agenda proposed for the meeting (GC(XVI)/GEN/42) was adopted.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION (GC(XVI)/478)

2. The CHAIRMAN suggested that the Committee recommend the Conference to adopt an agenda for the session comprising all the items listed in the provisional agenda (GC(XVI)/478).

3. It was so decided.

4. The CHAIRMAN recalled that in the past the Committee had left it to the President of the Conference to decide, in consultation with the Secretariat, the best order in which to take the agenda items so as to meet the wishes of as many delegates as possible. It seemed advisable for the Committee again to give the President a similar degree of latitude. He wished to suggest at that stage, however, that item 3(b) - Report of the Credentials Committee - be taken after the conclusion of the general debate and before the Conference went on to adopt resolutions and take other decisions.

• 5. The Committee decided to recommend the Conference to approve the allocation of agenda items for initial discussion suggested in document GC(XVI)/478.

• 6. The Committee authorized the Chairman to draw up its report to the Conference.

CLOSING DATE OF THE SESSION

7. The CHAIRMAN recalled that, under Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure, the Committee was required to submit a recommendation to the Conference on a closing date for the session.

8. In the light of the agenda that the Committee had decided to recommend to the Conference, it was reasonable to assume that most of the time

would be spent on item 9 - General debate and report of the Board of Governors for 1971-72 and it seemed likely that that item would not be disposed of before the end of the week. As Monday would be devoted to visiting the Salazar Nuclear Centre, the session could probably be brought to a close on the morning of Tuesday, 3 October. He accordingly suggested that the Committee authorize him, once the general debate was well advanced, when it would be easier to judge whether his forecast was correct, to recommend on its behalf to the Conference that the Tuesday of the following week be fixed as the closing date for the session.

• 9. It was so decided.

OPENING DATE OF THE SEVENTEENTH (1973) REGULAR SESSION

10. The CHAIRMAN recalled that it was customary for the Committee to recommend to the Conference an opening date for the following regular session, which normally fell on a Tuesday in the second half of September. In 1973 two Tuesdays could be considered, one falling on 18 and the other on 25 September. The Viennese authorities had stated that it would be easier for them to provide the necessary facilities on the first of those dates. He therefore suggested that the Committee authorize him to recommend orally to the Conference that Tuesday, 18 September 1973, be fixed as the opening date for the seventeenth regular session.

11. It was so decided.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (GC(XVI)/GEN/41)

12. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to the Director General's memorandum on the election of Members to the Board of Governors (GC(XVI)/GEN/41). The Annex to that document contained the draft of a report which the Committee could submit to the Conference.

13. The draft report was approved.

• The meeting rose at 6.55 p.m.