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## 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 twentieth regular session of the General Conference which, it will be recalled, is to begin on Tuesday, 21 September 1976 and is to be held in Rio de Janeiro, at the invitation of the Government of Brazil [1]. As further information becomes available it will be communicated to Governments as addenda to this document.

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

2. Rio de Janeiro is well provided with good hotels and, since September is not part of the peak tourist season, there should be no difficulty in obtaining accommodation. The Secretariat is at present investigating various methods of making reservations.

## VISAS

3. Any Government that does not have an agreement with the Government of Brazil for the waiving of requirements for the entry of its nationals into the country is advised to ascertain from a Brazilian diplomatic or consular mission what visa or other special arrangements, if any, will need to be made for members of its delegation. In case of difficulty the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the Agency (A-1010 Vienna, Am Lugeck 1, telephone 52 06 31) or the Secretariat's Protocol Office (A-1010 Vienna, Kärntner Ring 9-13; telex 12645; telephone 52 45 11 306) is ready to provide help.

## VACCINATION AND INOCULATION

4. The Secretariat is informed that the Brazilian quarantine authorities require every person entering the country to produce a valid certificate of vaccination against smallpox. In addition, persons who have come from, or passed through, an area in which cholera is prevalent need to have a valid certificate of inoculation against that disease. Furthermore, vaccination against yellow fever is advisable in the case of those who are contemplating travel in other parts of Brazil or in adjacent areas.

<sup>[1]</sup> See document GC(XIX)/RESOLUTIONS(1975), decision number GC(XIX)/DEC/8.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETINGS

5. The session will be held in the conference centre of the Hotel Nacional, Praia de Sao Conrado, Rio de Janeiro, R. J., Brazil. This hotel is situated approximately 17 km to the south of Rio (or 40 minutes by car from the centre). Meetings of the Conference and its committees will be so arranged that no two will take place simultaneously.

# SPEAKERS IN THE GENERAL DEBATE

6. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers in the general debate may be made from 1 July 1976. The names of delegates will be entered in the list strictly in the order in which requests are received by the Secretariat of the Policy-making Organs.