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Twenty-third regular session

ADVANCE GENERAL INFORMATION

THE SESSION

1. The twenty-third regular session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) will commence on Tuesday, 4 December 1979, at 10.30 a.m. The session will be held at the Vigyan Bhavan Conference Centre, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document GC(XXIII)/609. There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors at the same location before the session on Friday, 30 November, and another immediately following its conclusion.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

2. The Conference is being held at the height of the tourist season. The Indian authorities have made block bookings in a number of hotels. These are listed below along with an indication of accommodation rates as provided by the Government:

| Name of hotel | Single room Rs <i>.</i> | Double room Rs. | Suite Rs. | Approximate distance from Conference venue |
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| | a | | · | |
| Akbar | 225 | 300 | 450 . - | 6 km |
| Ashoka | 290 | 380 to 425 | 390 single 550 double 900 de luxe | 4 km |
| Claridges | 240 | 330 | 400 double 500 de luxe 700 luxury | 3 km |
| Imperial | 225 | 320 | - | 4 km |
| Janpath | 150 | 240 | 300 | 3 km |
| Maurya | 495 | 570 | 635 executive 690 de luxe 1325 luxury | 6 km |
| Qutab | 160 | 240 | - | 12 km |
| Taj | 475 | 575 | 1000 executive 1800 large 2500 de luxe | 2 km |

3. It is recommended that early and firm hotel bookings be made either through national embassies in New Delhi or directly by correspondence with:

The Controller of Accommodation (IAEA Conference) Ashoka Hotel, 50-B, Chanakya Puri New Delhi-110021 India Telephone: 37 01 01 Telex: 031-2567 Cable: ASHOKA HOTEL

It should be noted that cancellation charges will be levied if cancellations are notified less than 30 days prior to arrival.

4. A shuttle bus service will be available from these hotels to the Conference Centre and back. The time schedule will be made available in New Delhi.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

5. New Delhi is serviced by major international airlines. Air India has several daily flights from various key cities in the world. In order to facilitate travel arrangements for delegations, Air India has blocked a number of seats for General Conference participants. The Air India office in Vienna (Opernring 1, A-1010 Vienna; telex: 01/2030, telephone: 57 21 47/48) has offered to provide travel and tourist assistance to all interested participants.

AIRPORT RECEPTION

6. Participants who provide advance information about their arrival at the New Delhi airport (name, country/organization, date and time of arrival, flight number) will be met at the airport and given assistance with customs, immigration and health clearances and also with transportation to their hotels. Such advance information, preferably by using the form attached to this document, may be sent to:

> Director (Protocol) Conference Bureau Third Floor, 'A' Wing Shastri Bhavan Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road New Delhi-110011 India Telephone: 38 58 71 Cable: BUREAUCONF

VISAS AND HEALTH REGULATIONS

7. For information on visas and health regulations, participants are advised to contact the Indian Embassy in their country or the nearest Air India office.

CURRENCY

8. Participants are advised to exchange their foreign currency (US \$1.00 = approx. Rs. 8.00) only through authorized banks/dealers and to obtain a receipt, which must be retained until they leave the country. This will enable reconversion of any residual Indian currency into foreign currency on leaving India.

COMPOSITION OF DELEGATIONS

9. Rule 23 of the General Conference's Rules of Procedure[1] provides for each Member of the Agency to be represented by <u>one</u> delegate, who may be accompanied by as many assistants (alternates, advisers, etc.) as may be needed. Governments are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Protocol Office of the IAEA in Vienna by 23 November. Thereafter this information should be communicated to the IAEA Conference Secretariat in New Delhi.

CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES

10. Éach delegate (but not other members of a delegation) will require credentials specifically for the session, even if he is already accredited to the Agency in another capacity. It is emphasized that, under Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure, credentials should reach the Director General before the Conference starts, issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Member State concerned.

REGISTRATION AND PASSES

11. It is necessary for each delegation to be registered with the Secretariat; this can be done by a single member on behalf of his delegation. To facilitate this (as well as to provide information and other assistance if required) the IAEA Protocol Office will open in the Conference Centre on Monday, 26 November. Delegations are invited to register as soon as possible on arrival and not later than Monday, 3 December.

12. An identity badge will be issued for each member of delegation upon registration and access to the Conference Centre will be granted only to persons in possession of this badge.

PLEDGES OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR 1980

13. The Board of Governors has set a target of US \$10.5 million, subject to the Conference's approval, for voluntary contributions to the General Fund for 1980. Before the session opens a document will be circulated for the purpose of notifying delegates of the contributions that Member States have pledged[2]. Therefore it will be greatly appreciated if Member States communicate their pledges to the Director General as soon as possible. Pledges can also be made during the session.

^[1] GC(XIX)/INF/152.

^[2] See the corresponding document of last year - GC(XXII)/604.

DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

14. Each delegation is invited to contact the Documents Station at the Vigyan Bhavan Conference Centre shortly after arrival and specify its requirements on a form which will be provided. Before the opening of the session one complete set of Conference documents already issued will be available to each delegation together with other information concerning arrangements for the Conference. All documents produced during the session, the daily Journal of the Conference, other notices and also mail will be issued through the Documents Station.

SPEAKERS IN THE GENERAL DEBATE

15. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers in the general debate may be made directly to the Secretariat of the Policy-making Organs of the International Atomic Energy Agency from 4 October 1979. The names of delegates will be entered on this list strictly in the order in which requests are received.

FORM

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New Delhi

ARRIVAL DETAILS

| Name (Dr/Prof/Mr/ | Mrs/Miss): | | |
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| Mailing address: | | | |
| Arrival in India | | | |
| Arriving from: | : | | |
| Date and time: | | | |
| Flight details: | | | |
| | (Airline) | (Flight No.) | (First/Economy) |
| Departure from India | a | | |
| Departure from | n Delhi/Bombay/O | thers (indicate): | |
| Date and time: | | | |
| Flight details: | | , | |
| | (Airline) | (Flight No.) | (First/Economy) |

Signature: