1. In accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference[1], the Director General hereby notifies all Members of the Agency that, pursuant to General Conference decision GC(XXV)/DEC/7 the twenty-sixth regular session of the General Conference will open in the Kongresszentrum, Neue Hofburg, Vienna, on Monday, 20 September 1982, at 10 a.m. It is expected that at the opening meeting the Conference will be addressed by the Federal President of Austria, on the occasion of the Agency's 25th anniversary.

2. Pursuant to Rule 11, the Director General has drawn up the attached provisional agenda for the session in consultation with the Board of Governors. In the annotation to each item a suggestion is made, for consideration by the General Committee, as to where it should first be discussed - in plenary meeting or in a committee. The order in which items are listed broadly reflects the sequence in which corresponding items have initially been taken up at recent sessions.

3. Should the Director General receive, by 21 August, any request under Rule 13 for the inclusion of a supplementary item in the agenda, such an item will, unless Rule 21 applies, be placed on a list which will be circulated not later than 31 August.

[1] GC(XIX)/INF/152.
PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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8. Consideration of the suspension of Israel from the exercise of the privileges and rights of membership if, by the time of the General Conference's twenty-sixth regular session, it has not complied with the provisions of United Nations Security Council resolution 487 of 19 June 1981.


11. Scale of assessment of Members' contributions for 1983

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15. Examination of delegates' credentials

16. Election of Members to the Board of Governors

1. **Election of officers and appointment of the General Committee**

   Under Rule 34 of the Rules of Procedure the General Conference will be called upon to elect a President, and the President will propose for election the names of eight Vice-Presidents and the name of a Chairman of the Committee of the Whole. Under Rule 40 the Conference is required to appoint a General Committee consisting of the President, the eight Vice-Presidents, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole and five additional members, the latter being elected on the proposal of the President.

2. **Opening statements**

   It is expected that the Conference will be addressed by the Federal President of Austria. Also, the Conference will hear a message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

3. **Applications for membership of the Agency**

   Document GC(XXVI)/663 contains a recommendation by the Board of Governors for the admission of Namibia, represented by the United Nations Council for Namibia, to membership of the Agency.

4. **Statement by the Director General**

   The Director General proposes to make a statement to the Conference.

5. **Arrangements for the Conference**

   (a) **Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion**

   The General Committee is required to report to the Conference under Rule 42(a) on the provisional agenda set forth in the present document and on any supplementary or proposed additional items (Rules 13 and 15). The Conference will then approve the agenda (Rule 14) and allocate the items for initial discussion.

   (b) **Closing date of the session and opening date of the next session**

   Under Rule 8 the Conference is required to set the closing date for the session, after considering a recommendation on the subject which the General Committee will make. Under Rule 1 the Conference is required to set the opening date of the twenty-seventh (1983) regular session.
6. Voluntary contributions to the Technical Assistance and Co-operation Fund for 1983

Member States will be urged to pledge voluntary contributions to the Technical Assistance and Co-operation Fund for 1983 and attention will be drawn to the fact that such pledges of contributions can be made during the session.

7. General debate and annual report for 1981

Under Article V.E.4 of the Statute, the Conference is required to consider the report for the year 1981 which the Board has prepared (GC(XXVI)/664).

8. Consideration of the suspension of Israel from the exercise of the privileges and rights of membership if, by the time of the General Conference's twenty-sixth regular session, it has not complied with the provisions of United Nations Security Council resolution 487 of 19 June 1981

This item is included in the provisional agenda pursuant to paragraph 3 of General Conference resolution GC(XXV)/RES/381.


In accordance with Rule 12(i), the Agency's accounts for 1981, together with the External Auditor's report thereon and observations by the Board, will be communicated to the Conference in document GC(XXVI)/665.


Under Article V.E.5 of the Statute, the Conference is called upon to approve the Agency's budget for 1983 in accordance with the estimates for the expenses which the Board, under Article XIV.A, is submitting in document GC(XXVI)/666 (in which the programme for 1983-88 is also set out).

11. Scale of assessment of Members' contributions for 1983

Under Article XIV.D of the Statute, a proposed scale of assessment of Members' contributions towards the Regular Budget for 1983 will be submitted to the Conference.

12. Staffing of the Agency's Secretariat

A report (GC(XXVI)/668) is being submitted to the Conference by the Board of Governors pursuant to paragraph 4 of General Conference resolution GC(XXV)/RES/386; also a report will be transmitted to the Conference by the Director General pursuant to paragraph 3 of the above resolution.
13. **The financing of technical assistance**

Pursuant to General Conference resolution GC(XXV)/RES/388 the Board is reporting to the Conference on the financing of technical assistance (GC(XXVI)/669).

14. **Amendment of Article VI.A.2 of the Statute**

In resolution GC(XXV)/RES/389 the General Conference requested the Board to submit to the Conference at its twenty-sixth regular session its observations and recommendations on proposed amendments to Article VI.A.2 of the Statute (GC(XXVI)/670).

15. **Examination of delegates' credentials**

Under Rule 28 the General Committee, meeting as a credentials committee, will examine the credentials of all delegates and report thereon to the Conference.

16. **Election of Members to the Board of Governors**

The Conference will be called upon to elect 11 Members to the Board[2]. Under Rule 83, the President will indicate to the Conference those elective places on the Board which must be filled so as to ensure that after the end of the session the Board will be constituted in accordance with Article VI.A.2 of the Statute.


It is expected that pledges of voluntary contributions to the Technical Assistance and Co-operation Fund for 1983 will be obtained during the Conference, and that a report will be communicated to the Conference by the President.

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[2] The terms of office of Argentina, Iraq, Lebanon, Malaysia, Nigeria, Peru, Poland, Sudan, Sweden, Turkey and Uruguay will expire at the end of this year's regular session (see document GC(XXIV)/RESOLUTIONS(1980), decision number (GC(XXIV)/DEC/8)).