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ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING

Chairman

Mr. MANOUAN (Ivory Coast), President of the General Conference

Members

Mr. ERNEMANN (Belgium), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. ROSALES, representing Mr. CASTRO DIAZ-BALART (Cuba), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. HIREMATH, representing Mr. RAMANNA (India), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. TSUKADA, representing Mr. TAKEUCHI (Japan), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. BADDOU (Morocco), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. LINEHAM, representing Mr. WALKER (New Zealand), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. ZOBOV, representing Mr. PETROSYANTS (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. CHAPMAN, representing Mr. BOGGS (United States of America), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr. SCHEEL (German Democratic Republic), Chairman of the Committee of the Whole

Mr. MORDEN (Canada), Additional Member

Mr. CHRISTENSEN (Denmark), Additional Member

Mr. van GORKOM (Netherlands), Additional Member

Mr. PECCI (Paraguay), Additional Member

Mr. HADDAD (Syrian Arab Republic), Additional Member

Mr. SHASH (Egypt), Chairman of the Board of Governors

Secretariat

Mr. SANMUGANATHAN, Secretary of the Committee

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING (GC(XXIX)/GEN/67)

1. The CHAIRMAN asked the Committee whether it wished to adopt the provisional agenda reproduced in document GC(XXIX)/GEN/67.
2. It was so decided.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CONFERENCE

(a) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION
(GC(XXIX)/746 and Add.1, GC(XXIX)/746, Annotation to Item 4(a))

3. The CHAIRMAN informed the Committee that the delegate of the Islamic Republic of Iran had expressed the wish to attend the meeting of the Committee and to participate in its deliberations during the examination of the proposal submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran to add a supplementary item to the agenda of the General Conference (document GC(XXIX)/746/Add.1).
4. In accordance with Article 43 of the Rules of Procedure, the Chairman proposed that the delegate of the Islamic Republic of Iran be invited to participate in the Committee's discussions without vote and only for discussion of the item proposed by his country.

The delegate of the Islamic Republic of Iran took his seat at the table of the Committee.

5. The CHAIRMAN asked the Committee whether it had any suggestions regarding the list of items in documents GC(XXIX)/746 and GC(XXIX)/746/Add.1.
6. Mr. CHAPMAN (United States of America) said that the United States Government did not believe that the Agency was an appropriate forum for discussing the item proposed by the Islamic Republic of Iran. If the matter must be considered, it was for the Disarmament Committee to do so. It would be wrong to prejudge the issue of discussions which had been under way elsewhere for some time.
7. The CHAIRMAN announced that he would inform the General Conference of the reservation expressed by the delegate of the United States when reporting orally to it on the adoption of the agenda. He suggested that the Committee recommend to the General Conference that the agenda for the session comprise all the items listed in documents GC(XXIX)/746 and GC(XXIX)/746/Add.1.

8. It was so decided.

9. The CHAIRMAN suggested that the General Conference consider the agenda items in the order in which they appeared in document GC(XXIX)/746, but that the supplementary item should come immediately after item 10 and that the following items as shown in document GC(XXIX)/746 should be renumbered accordingly. It was understood that it might be necessary to make changes as the General Conference progressed with its work in order to use the time available in the best possible way.

10. In the absence of any comments, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference the allocation of items for initial discussion suggested in documents GC(XXIX)/746 and GC(XXIX)/746/Add.1.

11. After an exchange of views between Mr. ERNEMANN (Belgium), Mr. HADDAD (Syrian Arab Republic), who supported the Chairman's suggestions, and the CHAIRMAN, the Committee decided to recommend that the General Conference approve the allocation of items for initial discussion suggested in documents GC(XXIX)/746 and GC(XXIX)/746/Add.1.

(b) CLOSING DATE OF THE SESSION AND OPENING DATE OF THE NEXT SESSION
(GC(XXIX)/746, Annotation to item 4(b))

12. The CHAIRMAN said that the main aspect to be considered when estimating the time which the General Conference would need for examining all items on the agenda was the probable duration of the General Debate. Seventy-seven speakers had already been entered on the speakers' list, and at least ten others were expected to follow. Assuming that it would be possible to conclude the General Debate on the Friday morning, the session could be closed on the evening of Friday, 27 September. He therefore suggested that the Committee make a recommendation to that effect to the General Conference, assuming also that the Committee of the Whole managed to complete its work by Thursday at the latest.

13. It was so decided.

14. The CHAIRMAN asked the Committee, in accordance with Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure, to consider the question of the opening date of the next regular session of the General Conference.

15. He recalled that, when the session was held in Vienna, it had become traditional for the General Conference to meet during the last full week of September. However, because of the preparatory meetings for the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe which would also be taking place in the Hofburg in 1986, the Austrian authorities had asked the General Conference to assist them by holding its session during the week beginning on Monday, 29 September. If there were no speakers he would take it that the Committee recommended that the thirtieth regular session of the General Conference begin on Monday, 29 September 1986, in Vienna. If the Committee so agreed, he would also convey that recommendation orally to the General Conference.

16. It was so decided.

NEXT MEETING OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

17. The CHAIRMAN recalled that, under Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure, the Committee was to meet to examine the credentials of all delegates. He proposed that its meeting for that purpose take place in the afternoon of Thursday, 26 September, in the same room, subject to any unforeseen developments which might affect the scheduling of meetings.

18. It was so decided.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

19. Mr. SOLTANIEH (Islamic Republic of Iran) thanked the Committee for the understanding it had shown in agreeing to the inclusion in the agenda of the supplementary item proposed by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The meeting rose at 5.35 p.m.

