REVISION OF ARTICLE VI OF THE STATUTE AS A WHOLE

Note by the Secretariat

1. In September 1985, the General Conference, in resolution GC(XXIX)RES/455, invited the Board of Governors to present, for approval by the General Conference at its thirtieth regular session, its observations and recommendations on amending Article VI of the Statute. In response to that resolution, the Board discussed the question of amending Article VI of the Statute at its meetings in February and June 1986 in the light of reports made by the Chairman of the Board on informal consultations which she had conducted.

2. Subsequently, a formal proposal for an amendment of Article VI of the Statute was made by Italy and co-sponsored by Belgium, Spain and Sweden. Certified copies of the text of the proposed amendment were communicated by the Director General to all Members of the Agency, pursuant to Article XVIII.A of the Statute, on 20 June 1986.

3. The proposed amendment is reproduced in the Annex to this document.

4. The Board of Governors, at its meetings starting on 22 September 1986, will have an item on its provisional agenda entitled "Revision of
Article VI of the Statute as a whole", and it is expected that the proposed amendment will be considered on that occasion. It is also expected that any observations of the Board on the proposed amendment, made pursuant to Article XVIII.C(i) of the Statute, will form part of the report which the Board is required to transmit to the General Conference in response to resolution GC(XXIX)/RES/455.
ANNEX

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI OF THE STATUTE OF THE AGENCY

Proposed by Italy and co-sponsored by Belgium, Spain and Sweden

Replace the text of paragraph A of Article VI of the Statute by the following:

"A. The Board of Governors shall be composed as follows:

1. The outgoing Board of Governors shall designate for membership on the Board seventeen members from among the most advanced in the technology of atomic energy including the production of source materials, so that the Board shall at all times include in this category two representatives of the area of North America, one representative of the area of Latin America, seven representatives of the area of Western Europe, two representatives of the area of Eastern Europe, one representative of the area of Africa, one representative of the area of the Middle East and South Asia, one representative of the area of South East Asia and the Pacific, and two representatives of the area of the Far East.

2. The General Conference shall elect to membership of the Board of Governors:

(a) Twenty-six members, with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the members in the areas mentioned in sub-paragraph A.1 of this article, so that the Board shall at all times include in this category six representatives of the area of Latin America, four representatives of the area of Western Europe, three representatives of the area of Eastern Europe, seven representatives of the area of Africa, four representatives of the area of the Middle East and South Asia, one representative of the area of South East Asia and the Pacific, and one representative of the area of the Far East. No member in this category in any one term of office will be eligible for re-election in the same category for the following term of office; and

(b) One further member from among the members of the areas of South East Asia and the Pacific and the Far East, two consecutive terms of office served by members of the area of South East Asia and the Pacific alternating with one term of office served by a member of the area of the Far East."