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# RECORD OF THE SIXTIETH MEETING

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<sup>[\*]</sup> GC(XXXV)/952, 952/Add.1, 952/Add.2/Rev.1.

### ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING

### Chairman

Mr. SANTANA CARVALHO (Brazil), President of the General Conference

#### Members

- Mr. LOOSCH (Germany), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. GUZMAN MARTINEZ (Cuba), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. McGUINESS (United States of America), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. ENDO (Japan), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. AAMODT (Norway), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. HADDAD (Syrian Arab Republic), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. MAYORSKY (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics), Vice-President of the General Conference
- Mr. WILSON (Australia), Chairman of the Committee of the Whole
- Mr. LEE (Canada), Additional Member
- Ms. TALLAWY (Egypt), Additional Member
- Mr. SALLOUKH (Lebanon), Additional Member
- Mr. PLUG (Netherlands), Additional Member
- Mr. BOROVIKOV, representing Mr. MARTINENKO (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic), Additional Member

### Chairman of the Board of Governors

Mr. ZELAZNY (Poland)

## Secretariat

Mr. SANMUGANATHAN, Secretary of the Committee

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING (GC(XXXV)/GEN/82)

- 1. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u> asked the Committee whether it wished to adopt the provisional agenda contained in document GC(XXXV)/GEN/82.
- 2. It was so decided.

#### ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CONFERENCE

- (a) ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ALLOCATION OF ITEMS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION (GC(XXXV)/952, 952/Add.1, 952/Add.2/Rev.1)
- A. Items for inclusion in the agenda
- 3. The CHAIRMAN noted that the Committee had before it the provisional agenda for the General Conference, set out in document GC(XXXV)/952 and the two addenda thereto. Document GC(XXXV)/952/Add.1, entitled "Iraq's non-compliance with its safeguards obligations", related to supplementary item A, which had been requested by the Board of Governors in its resolution contained in document GOV/2532. Document GC(XXXV)/952/Add.2/Rev.1 concerned supplementary item B, entitled "Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East", which had been requested by Egypt, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan and the United Arab Emirates. The explanatory memorandum required under Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure was contained in document GC(XXXV)/969 and Corr.1.
- 4. He also wished to draw the Committee's attention to footnote 4/ on page 6 of document GC(XXXV)/952, which indicated that the conclusions of the discussions held under the special scientific programme organized in conjunction with the current session of the Conference would be reported to the Conference at a plenary meeting.
- 5. If there were no objections, he would take it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference that it include in the agenda for its thirty-fifth regular session all the items listed in documents GC(XXXV)/952, GC(XXXV)/952/Add.1 and GC(XXXV)/952/Add.2/Rev.1.
- 6. It was so decided.
- B. Allocation of items for initial discussion and order of items
- 7. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u> pointed out that documents GC(XXXV)/952, GC(XXXV)/952/Add.1 and GC(XXXV)/952/Add.2/Rev.1 contained, for each item of the agenda, a suggestion as to where the substance of that item might first be

discussed (plenary meeting, Committee of the Whole or General Committee). He took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference the allocation of items as proposed.

# 8. It was so decided.

- 9. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u>, turning to the order in which the items would be discussed by the Conference, suggested that supplementary item A in document GC(XXXV)/952/Add.1 (Iraq's non-compliance with its safeguards obligations) be inserted between items 21 and 22 of the provisional agenda set forth in document GC(XXXV)/952, in other words immediately before the item entitled "Examination of delegates' credentials". He further proposed that supplementary item B in document GC(XXXV)/952/Add.2/Rev.1 (Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East) be inserted between items 7 and 8 of the provisional agenda, in other words immediately after the general debate.
- 10. Mr. HADDAD (Syrian Arab Republic) said that he would prefer the item relating to the application of Agency safeguards in the Middle East to be inserted between items 8 and 9 of the provisional agenda.
- 11. Mr. LOOSCH (Germany), supported by Mr. ENDO (Japan), Mr. AAMODT (Norway), Mr. PLUG (Netherlands), Mr. McGUINESS (United States of America), Mr. BOROVIKOV (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic) and Mr. LEE (Canada), said that his preference was for the item concerning safeguards in the Middle East to be inserted between items 7 and 8 of the provisional agenda, as proposed by the Chairman.
- Ms. TALLAWY (Egypt) proposed that the item concerning the application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East be inserted between items 20 and 21 of the provisional agenda, immediately before the item concerning South Africa's nuclear capabilities. The matter required careful discussion, and any linking of two quite distinct subjects should be avoided. With regard to the strengthening of safeguards, a consistent policy should be applied throughout the Middle East region.
- 13. Mr. SALLOUKH (Lebanon) and Mr. GUZMAN MARTINEZ (Cuba) endorsed the suggestion made by the delegate of Egypt.

- 14. Mr. HADDAD (Syrian Arab Republic), withdrawing his proposal, associated himself with the suggestion put forward by the Egyptian delegate.
- 15. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u> observed that a majority of Committee members seemed to support his proposal to insert the item entitled "Iraq's non-compliance with its safeguards obligations" between item 21 (South Africa's nuclear capabilities) and item 22 (Examination of delegates' credentials), and to insert the item entitled "Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East" between item 7 (General debate and annual report for 1990) and item 8 (Israeli nuclear capabilities and threat).

## 16. It was so decided.

17. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u> suggested that the items be taken up in the order in which they appeared in document GC(XXXV)/952 after the insertion of the supplementary items and the consequent renumbering of the other items, on the understanding that circumstances or the efficient conduct of business might call for changes to be made by the Conference in a plenary meeting or by the Committee of the Whole.

### 18. It was so decided.

- 19. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u>, referring to the special scientific programme being organized in conjunction with the current session of the Conference, assumed that the Committee wished to recommend to the Conference that the conclusions reached in discussions during that programme be reported to the Conference at a plenary meeting, but without debate. That could be done by interrupting the general debate briefly during one of the plenary meetings on Thursday.
- 20. It was so decided.
- (b) CLOSING DATE OF THE SESSION AND OPENING DATE OF THE NEXT SESSION (GC(XXXV)/952)
- 21. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u> said that one of the main factors in estimating the length of the Conference session was the probable duration of the general debate. Many delegations had already asked to speak in the general debate and it was likely that more would do so before the speakers' list was closed. He therefore suggested that the Committee recommend Friday, 20 September 1991, to the General Conference as the closing date of the present session.

### 22. It was so decided.

- 23. The <u>CHAIRMAN</u> proposed that the Committee, taking into account the availability of facilities for the General Conference in 1992, recommend that the thirty-sixth regular session of the General Conference start on Monday, 21 September 1992.
- 24. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 6.25 p.m.