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AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI OF THE STATUTE

Resolution adopted on 1 October 1999 during the ninth plenary meeting

The General Conference,

- (a) Recalling its decision GC(42)/DEC/10 which requested the Board of Governors, inter alia, to submit its report on a finalized formula on amending Article VI of the Statute and all previous resolutions and decisions on the subject,
 - (b) Having examined the proposal for amendment of Article VI of the Statute submitted by Japan in accordance with Article XVIII.A of the Statute, contained in Annex 1 to document GC(42)/19,
 - (c) Having also examined the proposal for the modification of the Japanese amendment submitted by Slovenia in accordance with Article XVIII.A of the Statute, contained in document GC(43)/12,
 - (d) Having also considered the report and recommendations of the Board of Governors contained in document GC(43)/12, which constitute the Board's observations on the aforesaid modification to the Japanese proposal proposed by Slovenia,
 - (e) Having also considered the Board's observations on the aforesaid Japanese proposal to amend Article VI,
1. Approves the aforesaid modification proposed by Slovenia to the amendment of Article VI proposed by Japan;

2. Approves the amendment proposed by Japan, as modified in operative paragraph (1) and as further modified, by which Article VI of the Agency's Statute is amended as follows:

I. Replace paragraph A of Article VI of the Agency's 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 the eighteen members most advanced in the technology of atomic energy including the production of source materials, the designated seats to be distributed among the areas mentioned below as follows:

North America	2
Latin America	2
Western Europe	4
Eastern Europe	2
Africa	2
Middle East and South Asia	2
South East Asia and the Pacific	1
Far East	3

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

(a) Twenty-two members, with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the members in the areas listed in sub-paragraph A.1 of this article, so that the Board shall at all times include in this category:

four representatives of the area of Latin America,
four representatives of the area of Western Europe,
three representatives of the area of Eastern Europe,
five representatives of the area of Africa,
three representatives of the area of the Middle East and South Asia,
two representatives of the area of South East Asia and the Pacific, and
one representative of the area of Far East.

(b) Two further members from among the members in the following areas:

Western Europe
Eastern Europe
Middle East and South Asia

- (c) One further member from among the members in the following areas:

Latin America
Eastern Europe”

and

- II. Add at the end of Article VI the following new paragraph:

“K. The provisions of paragraph A of this Article, as approved by the General Conference on 1 October 1999, shall enter into force when the requirements of Article XVIII.C are met and the General Conference confirms a list of all Member States of the Agency which has been adopted by the Board, in both cases by ninety per cent of those present and voting, whereby each Member State is allocated to one of the areas referred to in sub-paragraph 1 of paragraph A of this Article. Any change to the list thereafter may be made by the Board with the confirmation of the General Conference, in both cases by ninety per cent of those present and voting and only after a consensus on the proposed change is reached within any area affected by the change”.

3. Urges all Member States of the Agency to accept this amendment as soon as possible in accordance with their respective constitutional processes, as provided for in Article XVIII. C(ii) of the Statute;
4. Requests the Director General to report to the General Conference, at its 45th regular session on the progress made towards the entry into force of this amendment.