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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. In accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference¹, the Director General hereby notifies all Members of the Agency that the forty-sixth regular session of the General Conference will open at the Austria Center Vienna² on Monday, 16 September 2002 at 10.00 a.m.
2. During the weekend preceding the opening of the Conference's session (Saturday, 14 September and Sunday, 15 September 2002), facilities will be made available for group meetings. Member States are strongly urged to avail themselves of those facilities with a view to achieving early agreement on organizational matters and thereby contributing to the smooth running of the session, ensuring - where necessary - that their representatives arrive in Vienna in time to participate in pre-session group meetings and the associated group decision-making. Meeting rooms may be reserved through the Secretariat's Conference Service Section (tel. no.: +43 1 2600/21323).
3. Pursuant to Rule 11 of the Conference's Rules of Procedure, 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 or in a committee.
4. Should the Director General receive by 17 August 2002 any request under Rule 13 for 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 27 August 2002.

¹ GC(XXXI)/INF/245/Rev.1.

² The Austria Center Vienna is located at Am Hubertusdamm 6, 1220 Vienna, next to the Vienna International Centre.

<p>For reasons of economy, this document has been printed in a limited number. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to meetings.</p>

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ANNOTATIONS

1. **Election of officers and appointment of the General Committee**³ *Plenary*

Under Rule 34 of the Rules of Procedure, the General Conference will be called upon to elect a President. In accordance with Rules 34 and 40, the Conference will also be called upon to elect eight Vice-Presidents, a Chairman of the Committee of the Whole and five additional members on the proposal of the President.

2. **Applications for membership of the Agency** *Plenary*

Documents GC(46)/3 and GC(46)/4 contain applications for membership of the Agency from the State of Eritrea and from the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic together with the Board's recommendations required under Article IV.B. of the Statute. Any further applications received in time will also be placed before the Conference for its consideration.

3. **Message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations** *Plenary*

It is expected that a message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations will be delivered.

4. **Statement by the Director General** *Plenary*

The Director General is expected to make a statement to the Conference.

5. **Arrangements for the Conference**

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

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 additional items (Rules 13 and 15). The Conference will then approve the agenda (Rule 14) and allocate the items for initial discussion.

³ As stated in paragraph 2 of the cover note, facilities are being made available for area groups to meet during the weekend preceding the opening of the Conference's session. It is hoped that this measure will help area groups to reach agreement on their nominees for membership of the General Committee before Monday morning so that the work of the Conference can proceed without delay.

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

General Committee

The Conference is required, under Rule 8, to set the closing date of the session and, under Rule 1, to set the opening date of the forty-seventh (2003) regular session after considering recommendations made by the General Committee.

(c) Restoration of voting rights

Committee of the Whole

By decision GC(44)/DEC/8 the General Conference in 2000 requested the Board of Governors to review after November 2001 the criteria, guidelines and measures being applied in connection with requests for the restoration of voting rights and to report its findings to the General Conference in 2002.

6. Contributions to the Technical Co-operation Fund for 2003

Plenary

Member States will be urged to pledge contributions to the Technical Co-operation Fund for 2003 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 2001

Plenary

Under Article V.E.4 of the Statute, the Conference is required to consider the Agency's Annual Report for the year 2001, which the Board has approved (GC(46)/2).

As part of the efforts to streamline the work of the General Conference, it is recommended that statements by delegates in the general debate be limited to 15 minutes.

8. Election of Members to the Board of Governors

Plenary

The Conference will be called upon to elect 11 Members to the Board⁴. 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. of the Statute. Designations made in accordance with Article VI.A.1 of the Statute for membership on the Board in 2002-2003 are set out in document GC(46)/5.

9. The Agency's Accounts for 2001

Committee of the Whole

In accordance with Rule 12(i), the Agency's Accounts for 2001, together with the External Auditor's report thereon and the report of the Board, are being communicated to the Conference in document GC(46)/6.

⁴ The terms of office of Argentina, Egypt, Ghana, Ireland, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mexico, Pakistan, Peru, Switzerland, Thailand and Ukraine will expire at the end of this year's regular session (see document GC(44)/RES/DEC(2000), decision number GC(44)/DEC/10).

10. The Agency's Budget Update for 2003

Committee of the Whole

Under Article V.E.5 of the Statute, the Conference is called upon to approve the Agency's budget for 2003 in accordance with estimates for the Agency's expenses which the Board, pursuant to Article XIV.A, is submitting to it in document GC(46)/7.

11. The financing of technical co-operation

Committee of the Whole

The Board of Governors is expected to make recommendations to the General Conference on a target figure for the Technical Co-operation Fund for 2003.

12. Scale of assessment of Members' contributions towards the Regular Budget

Committee of the Whole

Pursuant to Article XIV.D of the Statute, a proposed scale of assessment of Members' contributions towards the Regular Budget for 2003 will be submitted to the Conference.

13. Measures to strengthen international co-operation in nuclear, radiation, transport and waste safety

Committee of the Whole

This item is included in the provisional agenda pursuant to resolution GC(45)/RES/10. The General Conference will have before it:

- in the area of nuclear installation safety, a report on the development of an international research reactor safety enhancement plan;
- in the area of radiation safety, reports on the implementation of the Revised Action Plan for the Safety and Security of Radiation Sources, the follow-up on the findings of the International Conference on the Radiological Protection of Patients, held in Malaga (Spain) in March 2001, radiological criteria for long-lived radionuclides in commodities, and the findings of the International Conference on Occupational Radiation Protection, due to take place in Geneva in August 2002;
- a report on transport safety;
- in the area of waste safety, a report on the implementation of the actions proposed in the Report on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management contained in Attachment 1 to document GC(45)/14 and one on preparations for the First Review Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management; and
- a report on education and training in nuclear installation, radiation, waste and transport safety.

Pursuant to resolution GC(44)/RES/16, the General Conference will also have before it a report on the Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear Accident and the Convention on Assistance in the Case of a Nuclear Accident or Radiological Emergency.

14. Strengthening of the Agency's technical co-operation activities

Committee of the Whole

This item is included in the provisional agenda to enable the Director General to report (in document GC(46)/8) on the implementation of resolution GC(45)/RES/11 as requested in its operative paragraph 11.

15. Strengthening the Agency's activities related to nuclear science, technology and applications

Committee of the Whole

Under this item the Conference will have before it:

- an up-dated version of the Nuclear Technology Review for 2002, considered by the Board in March of this year;
- a report from the Director General on the implementation of resolution GC(45)/RES/12.D concerning support for the Organization of African Unity's Pan African Tsetse and Trypanosomiasis Eradication Campaign (PATTEC);
- a report from the Director General on the implementation of resolution GC(45)/RES/12.E entitled "Drought in Central America"; and
- a report from the Director General on the implementation of resolution GC(45)/RES/12.F entitled "Agency activities in the development of innovative nuclear technology".

16. Strengthening the effectiveness and improving the efficiency of the safeguards system and application of the Model Additional Protocol

Committee of the Whole

This item is included in the provisional agenda pursuant to resolution GC(45)/RES/13 to enable the Director General to report on the implementation of the resolution as requested in its operative paragraph 16.

17. Nuclear security – progress on measures to protect against nuclear terrorism

Committee of the Whole

In resolution GC(45)/RES/14.B the General Conference noted the decision of the Director General to establish an Advisory Group on Nuclear Security and requested the Director General to review thoroughly the activities and programmes of the Agency with a view to strengthening the Agency work relevant to preventing acts of terrorism and to report to the Board of Governors. The Director General reported to the Board in November 2001 and March 2002. In March 2002 the Board approved in principle the Director General's proposals for activities in the area of nuclear security.

The General Conference will have before it a progress report on measures undertaken by the Secretariat.

18. Implementation of the NPT safeguards agreement between the Agency and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea *Plenary*

This item is included in the provisional agenda pursuant to operative paragraph 7 of resolution GC(45)/RES/16, in which the General Conference decided last year to remain seized of this matter and to include this item in the agenda for its forty-sixth regular session.

19. Implementation of United Nations Security Council resolutions relating to Iraq *Plenary*

This item is included in the provisional agenda pursuant to resolution GC(45)/RES/17 adopted by the General Conference last year. As requested in operative paragraph 7 of the resolution, the Director General will report to the Conference on his efforts to implement the relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions relating to Iraq.

20. Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East *Plenary*

This item is included in the provisional agenda pursuant to resolution GC(45)/RES/18 adopted by the General Conference last year. The Director General will report to the Conference on the implementation of the resolution as requested in its operative paragraph 9.

21. Elections to the Agency's Staff Pension Committee *Committee of the Whole*

This item has been included as the Conference will be called upon to elect one or more members to the Agency's Staff Pension Committee.

22. Examination of delegates' credentials *General Committee*

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

23. Report on contributions pledged to the Technical Co-operation Fund for 2003 *Plenary*

It is expected that pledges of contributions to the Technical Co-operation Fund for 2003 will be obtained during the Conference and that the President will communicate a report thereon to the Conference.