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¹ GC(59)/25.

Attendance

Chair

Mr FORMICA (Italy), President of the General Conference

Members

Mr JUHÁSZ, representing Mr ARADSZKI (Hungary), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr ESHRAGH JAHROMI, representing Mr SALEHI (Islamic Republic of Iran), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr OTHMAN, representing Mr LEBAI JURI (Malaysia), Vice-President of the General Conference

Ms PETRICK CASAGRANDE (Peru), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr BORROMEO, representing Ms GUEVARA (Philippines), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr BAPTISTA MOITINHO DE ALMEIDA (Portugal), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr ENSHER, representing Mr MONIZ (United States of America), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr BENHOCINE (Algeria), Chair of the Committee of the Whole

Ms MELON, representing Mr DE VIDO (Argentina), Additional Member

Mr BAILEY, representing Mr BOEHM (Canada), Additional Member

Mr KRAUSPE, representing Mr DÄUBLE (Germany), Additional Member

Mr BADDOURA (Lebanon), Additional Member

Mr POSTNIKOV, representing Mr KIRIENKO (Russian Federation), Additional Member

Secretariat

Ms DUNN LEE, Deputy Director General, Department of Management

Ms WIJEWARDANE, Secretary of the Committee

– **Adoption of the agenda for the meeting**
(GC(59)/GEN/1)

1. The CHAIR said that the proposed agenda for the meeting contained the two traditional sub-items under the item “Arrangements for the Conference”, namely “Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion” and “Closing date of the session and opening date of the next session”.

2. The agenda was adopted.

5. Arrangements for the Conference

(a) Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items for initial discussion
(GC(59)/1 and Add.1, 2 and 3)

3. The CHAIR reminded the Committee that it was considering only the question of whether or not to recommend the inclusion of given items in the agenda, their allocation for initial discussion and the suggested order of the items. In accordance with Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure, members of the Committee should not engage in a discussion of the substance of any item, except in so far as it was relevant to the question whether it should recommend that item’s inclusion in the agenda.

4. If there were no objections, he would take it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference that the agenda for the current session consist of all the items listed in document GC(59)/1 and the supplementary items contained in documents GC(59)/1/Add.1 and Add.2, and that the allocation of items for initial discussion and the order of the items be as suggested in those documents.

5. It was so decided.

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

6. The CHAIR said that the time taken up by the general debate was one of the main factors influencing the length of General Conference sessions. Over 130 delegations had registered to speak thus far and more would almost certainly inscribe their names before the speakers’ list was closed.

7. With the cooperation and goodwill of all delegations, however, it should be possible to conclude the current session on schedule.

8. If there were no objections, he would take it that the General Committee wished to recommend to the General Conference a closing date for the current session of Friday, 18 September 2015.

9. It was so decided.

10. The CHAIR proposed that the Committee recommend to the General Conference an opening date for the next regular session of Monday, 26 September 2016.

11. It was so decided.

The meeting rose at 2.25 p.m.