Sixty-fifth regular session

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Examination of Delegates' Credentials

First Report of the General Committee

1. At its first meeting, on 20 September 2021, the General Committee meeting as credentials committee reviewed procedural concerns raised regarding the credentials presented by Myanmar.

2. The Secretariat informed the Committee that, on 9 September 2021, the Agency received, through the Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in Vienna, original credentials signed by HE Mr Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, designating HE Mr. Min Thein, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission in Vienna, as the Head of Delegation for the 65th regular session of the General Conference. Thereafter, on 15 September 2021, the Agency received, through an email from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the United Nations in New York, the copy of a document, signed by HE Ms. Zin Mar Aung, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs of the National Unity Government of Myanmar, indicating that HE Mr. Kyaw Moe Tun, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the United Nations in New York, will participate in the 65th regular session of the General Conference. Following this, on 18 September 2021, the Agency received, through the Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in Vienna, a Note Verbale from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, inter alia, requesting “the IAEA to prevent the participation in the General Conference of the representatives of the so-called National Unity Government of Myanmar (NUG), Committee Representing Pyidaungsu Hluttaw (CRPH) and their affiliated persons and organizations”.

3. Following its review, the General Committee, noting the practice of the United Nations General Assembly and the decisions of other UN Organizations such as the World Health Assembly of the World Health Organization (WHO) at its 74th session held from 24 to 31 May 2021, the International Labour Conference of the International Labour Organization (ILO) at its 109th session held between 7 and 19 June 2021, and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) at its 42nd session held from 14 to 18 June 2021, decided not to accredit at this stage any delegate for that Member State and to recommend to the Conference that it defer a decision on the credentials of Myanmar, pending guidance from
the Credentials Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, thereby leaving the seat empty for the Conference.

4. The Committee agreed to recommend that the Conference adopt the following draft resolution:

“Examination of delegates’ credentials

The General Conference,

Accepts the report by the General Committee on its examination of the credentials of Myanmar to the Conference’s sixty-fifth regular session, which is set forth in document GC(65)29.”