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## Sixty-sixth regular session

# General Committee

## Record of the Second Meeting

*Held at Headquarters, Vienna, on Thursday, 29 September 2022, at 9.20 a.m.*

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## **Attendance**

### Chair

Mr CORTESE (Italy), President of the General Conference

### Members

Mr STOJANOVSKI, representing Mr SADLEIR (Australia), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr LULASHNYK (Canada), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr WANG Qun (China), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr SOLANO ORTIZ (Costa Rica), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr JOHNSON (Ghana), Vice-President of the General Conference

Ms HOROSANU, representing Mr STOIAN (Romania), Vice-President of the General Conference

Ms MARKOVIC (Sweden), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr SHOJA'AADIN (Yemen), Vice-President of the General Conference

Mr BENGU (South Africa), Chair of the Committee of the Whole

Ms GJERMENI (Albania), Additional Member

Ms VUKOVIĆ-SIMONOVIĆ (Montenegro), Additional Member

Mr FACETTI (Paraguay), Additional Member

Mr LAGGNER (Switzerland), Additional Member

Mr ALNUAIMI, representing Mr ALKAABI (United Arab Emirates), Additional Member

### Secretariat

Ms DOANE, Deputy Director General, Department of Management

Ms RAYOS NATIVIDAD, Secretary of the Committee

– **Adoption of the agenda for the meeting**  
(GC(66)/GEN/2)

1. The CHAIR asked whether the Committee wished to adopt the provisional agenda contained in document GC(66)/GEN/2.
2. The agenda was adopted.

**25. Examination of delegates' credentials**  
(GC(66)/19 to 21)

3. The CHAIR proposed that the General Committee meet as a credentials committee and take up the examination of delegates' credentials.
4. Recalling Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, he said that credentials designated the delegate of a Member State to a given session of the General Conference, that credentials were submitted to the Director General and that they were issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Member State concerned.
5. The Committee's task was limited to ascertaining whether the requirements of Rule 27 had been satisfied.
6. Credentials for 103 delegates had been received in due form. In addition, the Secretariat had received communications in respect of 49 delegates that did not constitute formal credentials meeting the requirements of Rule 27. Twenty-three Member States were not participating and, with the exception of Myanmar, in respect of which reference could be made to the resolution contained in paragraph 4 of document GC(66)/18, had not submitted any credentials.
7. Document GC(66)/20 contained a statement submitted by Arab States members of the Agency participating in the sixty-sixth regular session of the General Conference, expressing their reservations concerning the credentials of the Israeli delegate.
8. Document GC(66)/21 contained a communication from Israel setting out its position with regard to those reservations.
9. Document GC(66)/19 contained a communication from the Islamic Republic of Iran setting out its position regarding consideration of the credentials of the Israeli delegate.
10. Mr WANG Qun (China) said that his delegation had submitted its credentials, and the originals would be received by the Director General in due course.
11. The CHAIR suggested that the Committee submit to the General Conference meeting in plenary a report stating that it had met to examine the credentials of delegates in accordance with Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure, and containing a list of Member States whose delegates had, in the Committee's opinion, submitted credentials satisfying the requirements of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure, and another list indicating the Member States for whose delegates the Director General had received communications that did not comply with that rule.

12. In accordance with past practice, the report could indicate that the Committee considered that delegates in the latter category should nevertheless be allowed to participate in the work of the Conference on the understanding that they would submit credentials in due form as soon as possible, preferably before the end of the current session.

13. The report should further state that the Committee had had before it, in document GC(66)/20, a statement submitted by a number of Arab States members of the Agency participating in the current session, as listed in that document, regarding their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegate; in document GC(66)/21, a communication setting out Israel's position with regard to those reservations; and in document GC(66)/19, a communication from Iran setting out its position regarding the credentials of the Israeli delegate.

14. The CHAIR said that the report should state that the Committee had agreed, with the aforementioned reservations and positions, to recommend that the General 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 delegates to the Conference’s sixty-sixth regular session, which is set forth in document GC(66)/23”.

15. He asked whether the Committee wished a report on the lines he had described to be prepared and submitted to the General Conference meeting in plenary.

16. It was so decided.

**The meeting rose at 9.30 a.m.**