SUMMARY OF MEETINGS
held on Thursday, 29 September 2022

General Committee
2nd meeting

The General Committee met as a Credentials Committee and examined the credentials of all delegates. The Committee recommended the adoption by the Conference of the draft resolution contained in paragraph 7 of its report, with the reservations and positions expressed in the report.

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Under item 25 of the agenda, “Examination of delegates’ credentials”, on which the General Committee meeting as the Credentials Committee presented its report contained in document GC(66)/23, the Conference adopted the draft resolution contained in paragraph 7 of the report. Statements were made by Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan and Kenya.

Under item 8 of the agenda, “Election of members to the Board of Governors”, the Conference elected without a vote: Brazil, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Denmark, Kenya, Namibia, Qatar, Singapore, Türkiye and Uruguay to serve on the Board of Governors from the end of this regular session of the Conference until the end of the sixty-eighth regular session in 2024. The Conference conducted a ballot to fill the floating seat from the Middle East and South Asia area and Saudi Arabia was duly elected.

Under item 7 of the agenda, “The IAEA and the COVID-19 Pandemic”, the Committee considered the Director General’s report contained in document GC(66)/INF/2. A Statement was made by Cuba.

The Chair of the Committee of the Whole presented the Committee’s interim report on the outcome of deliberations. As recommended by the Committee, the Conference adopted:

— under item 9 of the agenda, “The Agency’s Financial Statements for 2021”, the draft resolution contained in document GC(66)/3;
— under item 11 of the agenda, “Amendment to Article XIV.A of the Statute”, the decision contained in document GC(66)/L.7;
— under item 12 of the agenda, “Scale of assessment of Member States’ contributions towards the Regular Budget for 2023”, the resolution on page 3 of document GC(66)/11;
— under item 15 of the agenda, “Strengthening of the Agency’s technical cooperation activities”, the draft resolutions contained in document GC(66)/L.5; and
— under item 16 of the agenda, “Strengthening the Agency’s activities related to nuclear science, technology and applications”, the draft resolutions contained in document GC(66)/L.6.

The Rapporteur of the Scientific Forum made a report to the Conference.

Under item 19 of the agenda, “Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East”, the Conference began consideration of the draft resolution contained in document GC(66)/L.2.
The Committee considered item 21 “Promotion of Efficiency and Effectiveness of the IAEA Decision Making Process”.

Under item 23, “Restoration of sovereign equality in the IAEA”, the Committee began consideration of draft resolution GC(66)/COM.5/L.2.

Under item 19 of the agenda “Application of IAEA safeguards in the Middle East”, the Conference approved by a vote operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution contained in document GC(66)/L.2. The Conference also adopted by a vote the draft resolution contained in document GC(66)/L.2. Statements were made by the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia, Egypt, India, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (on behalf of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, France and Germany), the United States of America and Egypt.

The Conference considered item 20 of the agenda “Israeli nuclear capabilities” and statements were made by Azerbaijan (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Egypt (on behalf of Arab Group), Lebanon, Kuwait, Iraq, Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States of America, Cuba, the Syrian Arab Republic, Indonesia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Czech Republic (on behalf of the European Union) and Israel.

The Conference began consideration of item 18 of the agenda “Implementation of the NPT safeguards agreement between the Agency and the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea”.

The Conference also began consideration of item 22 of the agenda “The safety, security, and safeguards implications of the situation in Ukraine”.

The Conference began consideration of item 22 of the agenda “The safety, security, and safeguards implications of the situation in Ukraine”. Statements were made by Canada, the Czech Republic (on behalf of the European Union), Poland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Australia, India, Japan, Türkiye, Brazil, the United States of America, the Russian Federation, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mexico, Ukraine and Canada (on behalf of a group of Member States). The Russian Federation exercised its right of reply.

The Committee continued consideration of item 23 of the agenda “Restoration of sovereign equality in the IAEA” and of item 14 of the agenda “Nuclear security”.