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THE AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE VI. A-D OF THE STATUTE APPROVED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE IN 1970

Entry into force

1. On 5 June 1973 the Director General received notification from the depositary Government designated by the Statute (that of the United States of America) that the amendment of Article VI. A to D of the Statute, which the General Conference had approved in 1970[1], came into force on 1 June 1973[2] by virtue of its acceptance by the Members listed in documents INFCIRC/159/Rev.2 and Addenda and of the deposit of instruments of acceptance by the following further Members on the dates shown:

8 February	Sweden	12 April	Finland
14 February	Holy See	24 April	El Salvador
2 March	Ivory Coast	24 May	Ethiopia
7 March	India	1 June	Paraguay
3 April	Indonesia	1 June	Peru
4 April	Zambia		

2. For ease of reference, the text of Article VI. A to D of the Statute as thus amended is reproduced below. With regard to Article VI. D, it will be recalled that the purpose of the second sentence of the original text was to prevent the terms of office of all Members elected to the Board of Governors by the General Conference from ending at the same time every two years. It is to be noted that there is no corresponding provision in the amended text, but the purpose could still be achieved by prior agreement on suitable procedures to govern elections.

ARTICLE VI

Board of Governors

A. The Board of Governors shall be composed as follows:

1. The outgoing Board of Governors shall designate for membership on the Board the nine members most advanced in the technology of atomic energy including the production of source materials and the member most advanced in the technology of atomic energy including the production of source materials in each of the following areas in which none of the aforesaid nine is located:

[1] By Resolution GC(XIV)/RES/272, para. 1.

[2] Pursuant to Article XVIII. C(ii) of the Statute.

- (1) North America
- (2) Latin America
- (3) Western Europe
- (4) Eastern Europe
- (5) Africa
- (6) Middle East and South Asia
- (7) South East Asia and the Pacific
- (8) Far East.

2. The General Conference shall elect to membership of the Board of Governors:

- (a) Twenty members, with due regard to equitable representation on the Board as a whole of the members in the areas listed in sub-paragraph A-1 of this article, so that the Board shall at all times include in this category five representatives of the area of Latin America, four representatives of the area of Western Europe, three representatives of the area of Eastern Europe, four representatives of the area of Africa, two representatives of the area of the Middle East and South Asia, one representative of the area of South East Asia and the Pacific, and one representative of the area of the Far East. No member in this category in any one term of office will be eligible for re-election in the same category for the following term of office; and

- (b) One further member from among the members in the following areas:

Middle East and South Asia,
South East Asia and the Pacific,
Far East;

- c) One further member from among the members in the following areas:

Africa,
Middle East and South Asia,
South East Asia and the Pacific.

B. The designations provided for in sub-paragraph A-1 of this article shall take place not less than sixty days before each regular annual session of the General Conference. The elections provided for in sub-paragraph A-2 of this article shall take place at regular annual sessions of the General Conference.

C. Members represented on the Board of Governors in accordance with sub-paragraph A-1 of this article shall hold office from the end of the next regular annual session of the General Conference after their designation until the end of the following regular annual session of the General Conference.

D. Members represented on the Board of Governors in accordance with sub-paragraph A-2 of this article shall hold office from the end of the regular annual session of the General Conference at which they are elected until the end of the second regular annual session of the General Conference thereafter.