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# Election of Members to the Board of Governors

### *Memorandum by the President*

1. Rule 83 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference<sup>1</sup> provides that before the Conference at each regular session proceeds to elections to the Board of Governors, the presiding officer shall indicate to it those elective places on the Board which must be filled so as to ensure that after the end of the session the Board will be constituted in accordance with Article VI.A. of the Statute.
2. The President accordingly informs the Conference that at the current session it will be called upon to elect 11 members to the Board<sup>2</sup> as follows:
  - (a) Two members from Latin America;
  - (b) Two members from Western Europe;
  - (c) Two member from Eastern Europe;
  - (d) Two members from Africa;
  - (e) One member from the Middle East and South Asia;
  - (f) One member from Far East;
  - (g) One member from the Middle East and South Asia; or South East Asia and the Pacific; or the Far East; (the so-called "floating seat").

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<sup>1</sup> GC(XXXI)/INF/245/Rev.1.

<sup>2</sup> To replace Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Chile, Colombia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kuwait, Morocco, Philippines, Romania, Spain and Turkey (see document GC(45)/RES/DEC/(2001), decision number GC(45)/DEC/9).

3. The attention of delegates is drawn to the 24 Member States listed below, which will serve as members of the Board until the end of the forty-eighth regular session (2004), as a result either of their previous election by the General Conference in 2002<sup>3</sup> or their designation by the Board of Governors in June 2003<sup>4</sup>.

Argentina	Japan
Australia	Malaysia
Brazil	Netherlands
Canada	New Zealand
China	Panama
Cuba	Russian Federation
Czech Republic	Saudi Arabia
Denmark	South Africa
Egypt	Spain
France	Sudan
Germany	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
India	United States of America

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<sup>3</sup> GC(46)/RES/DEC/(2002), decision number GC(46)/DEC/10.

<sup>4</sup> GC(47)/5.