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Adoption of Rules of Procedure of the Board

Note by the Secretary-General

The attached draft rules of procedure are submitted for the consideration of the Board under item 4 of the provisional agenda. They have been prepared by the Secretariat on the basis of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI) and with reference to the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council and those of the Trade and Development Board.

DRAFT RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

I. SESSIONS

Regular Sessions

Rule 1

The Industrial Development Board shall normally hold one regular session a year.

Date of Opening of Regular Sessions

Rule 2

Each regular session of the Board shall be held, subject to the provisions of rule 3, at a date and place fixed by the Board at a previous session.

Rule 3

Five members of the Board or the Executive Director may request an alteration of the date of a regular session. The Executive Director shall forthwith communicate the request to the other members of the Board, together with appropriate observations, including financial implications, if any. If within fourteen days of the inquiry a majority of the members of the Board explicitly concurs in the request, the Executive Director shall convene the Board accordingly.

Special Sessions

Rule 4

1. Special sessions shall be held by decision of the Board, or at the request of:
  - (a) A majority of the members of the Board;
  - (b) The General Assembly; or
  - (c) The President, in consultation with the Executive Director.

2. The Economic and Social Council may request the Board to hold a special session of the Board. In such a case, the Executive Director shall immediately inform all members of the Board of the request and inquire whether they concur in it. If within ten days of the inquiry a majority of the members of the Board explicitly concurs in the request, the Executive Director shall convene a special session of the Board.

Date of Opening of Special Sessions

Rule 5

Special sessions of the Board shall normally be convened within six weeks of the receipt by the Executive Director of a request for such a session, at a date and place fixed by the President of the Board in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, taking into account such observations as may have been made in the request for a special session.

Notification of Date of Opening

Rule 6

The Executive Director shall communicate the date of the first meeting of each session to the members of the Board, all States Members of the United Nations or members of a specialized agency or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Chairmen of the Committees of the Board, the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Economic and Social Council, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the inter-governmental organizations referred to in rule 75 below and to the international non-governmental organizations referred to in rule 76 below. Such notification shall be sent (a) in the case of a regular session, at least six weeks in advance, (b) in the case of a special session, at least twelve days in advance.

Adjournment of Session

Rule 7

The Board may decide at any session to adjourn temporarily and resume its meetings at a later date.

II. AGENDA

Drawing up of the Provisional Agenda

Rule 8

1. The Executive Director shall draw up and submit to the Board at each regular session the provisional agenda for the following regular session of the Board. The provisional agenda shall include all items proposed by:

- (a) The Board;
- (b) A subsidiary organ of the Board;
- (c) A member of the Board;
- (d) The Executive Director;
- (e) The General Assembly;
- (f) The Economic and Social Council;
- (g) A regional economic commission;
- (h) A specialized agency, the IAEA, or an inter-governmental organization

referred to in rule 75 below.

2. Items proposed under (c) and (h) above shall be accompanied by an explanatory memorandum and, if possible, by basic documents or by a draft resolution, which shall be submitted to the Executive Director at least four weeks prior to the opening of the session.

3. International non-governmental organizations included in the list referred to in rule 76 below may propose to the Bureau of the Board that the Bureau request the Executive Director to place items of special interest to the organizations on the provisional agenda of the Board. For the purposes of this rule, a member of the Bureau may designate, in case of absence, a member of his delegation as his substitute.

The Bureau, in considering a request from an international non-governmental organization that an item be placed on the provisional agenda of the Board, shall take into account:

- (a) Whether or not the item can be considered appropriate for action by the Board;
- (b) The extent to which it is considered that the item lends itself to early and constructive action by the Board; and
- (c) The adequacy of the documentation submitted by the organization.

Any decision by the Bureau not to grant a request submitted by an international non-governmental organization that an item be placed on the provisional agenda of the Board shall be final.

#### Rule 9

Before the Executive Director places an item proposed by a specialized agency, the IAEA, or an inter-governmental organization, on the provisional agenda, he may carry out with the specialized agency, the IAEA, or the inter-governmental organization concerned such preliminary consultation as may be necessary.

#### Communication of the Provisional Agenda

#### Rule 10

After the Board has considered the provisional agenda for the following session, the provisional agenda, incorporating any amendments made by the Board, shall be communicated by the Executive Director to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Economic and Social Council, the specialized agencies, the IAEA, the inter-governmental organizations referred to in rule 75 below and to the international non-governmental organizations referred to in rule 76 below.

Supplementary Items

Rule 11

The inclusion of supplementary items in the provisional agenda considered by the Board may be proposed by any authority entitled to propose items under paragraph 1 of rule 8. The request for inclusion of a supplementary item shall be accompanied by a supporting statement from the authority proposing it, except in the case of the General Assembly, regarding the urgency of the consideration of the item. The supplementary items shall be placed by the Executive Director on a supplementary list and communicated to the Board together with the supporting statements and such observations as the Executive Director may wish to make.

Adoption of the Agenda

Rule 12

1. At the beginning of each regular session, subject to the provisions of rule 15 and after the election of officers when required under rule 18, the Board shall adopt its agenda for the session on the basis of the provisional agenda and the supplementary list referred to in rule 11.

2. A member of the Board, a specialized agency, the IAEA, or an inter-governmental organization referred to in rule 75 below, which has requested the inclusion of an item in the provisional agenda or the supplementary list, shall be entitled to be heard by the Board on the inclusion of the item in the agenda for the session.

3. The Board shall normally include in its agenda for the session only items for which adequate documentation has been prepared.

Allocation of Items

Rule 13

The Board may allocate items between the plenary meetings of the Board and sessional committees and working parties set up in accordance with rule 59, and may refer items without preliminary debate in the Board to:

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- (a) One or more of its subsidiary organs, for examination and report at a subsequent session of the Board;
- (b) The Executive Director for study and report at a subsequent session of the Board; or
- (c) The proposer of the item, for further information or documentation.

#### Provisional Agenda for a Special Session

##### Rule 14

The provisional agenda for a special session shall consist only of those items proposed for consideration in the request for the holding of the session. It shall be transmitted to the authorities mentioned in rule 10 at the same time as the notice convening the Board.

#### Revision of the Agenda

##### Rule 15

During a regular session, the Board may revise the agenda for the session by adding, deleting, deferring or amending items. Only urgent and important items shall be added to the agenda of the Board during the session.

### III. REPRESENTATION AND CREDENTIALS

##### Rule 16

Each member of the Board shall be represented by an accredited representative, who may be accompanied by such alternate representatives and advisers as may be required.

##### Rule 17

1. The credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the Executive Director before the first meeting which the representatives are to attend.



Terms of Office

Rule 20

The President, the Vice-Presidents and the Rapporteur shall hold office until their successors are elected. None of them may hold office after the expiration of the term of office of the member of which he is a representative.

Acting President

Rule 21

If the President is absent from a meeting or any part thereof, he shall appoint a Vice-President to take his place.

Replacement of the President

Rule 22

If the President ceases to be a representative of a member of the Board or is incapacitated, or if the State of which he is a representative ceases to be a member of the Board, the Bureau shall designate one of the Vice-Presidents as Acting President.

Powers of the Acting President

Rule 23

A Vice-President acting as President shall have the same powers and duties as the President.

Voting Rights of the President

Rule 24

In the case of a member of the Board which is for the time being represented by the President, an alternate representative shall, at the discretion of the

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President, be permitted to participate in the proceedings and to vote in the Board, In such a case the President shall not exercise his right to vote.

## V. SECRETARIAT

### Duties of the Executive Director

#### Rule 25

The Executive Director shall act in that capacity in all meetings of the Board and of its subsidiary organs. He may designate an officer of the Secretariat to act as his representative.

#### Rule 26

The Executive Director shall direct the staff required by the Board and its subsidiary organs.

#### Rule 27

The Executive Director shall be responsible for keeping the members of the Board informed of any questions which may be brought before it for consideration.

#### Rule 28

The Executive Director, or his representative, may, subject to rule 33, make oral as well as written statements to the Board and its subsidiary organs concerning any question under consideration.

#### Rule 29

The Executive Director shall be responsible for all the necessary arrangements for meetings of the Board and of its subsidiary organs, including the preparation and distribution of documents at least six weeks in advance of the sessions of the Board and its subsidiary organs.

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Duties of the Secretariat

Rule 30

The Secretariat shall interpret speeches made at meetings; shall receive, translate and circulate the documents of the Board and its subsidiary organs; shall publish and circulate the records of the sessions, the resolutions, the reports and the relevant documentation of the Board. It shall have the custody of the documents in the archives of the Board and generally perform all other work which the Board may require.

Estimates of Expenditures

Rule 31

1. Before any proposal which involves expenditure from United Nations funds is approved by the Board or by any of its subsidiary organs, the Executive Director shall circulate to all members of the Board or of the subsidiary organ concerned, as early as possible, a report from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in terms of Financial Regulations 13.1 and 13.2 on the estimated costs involved as well as on the administrative and budgetary implications with reference to existing authorizations and appropriations in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 20 to 25, inclusive, of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI).

2. Whenever the Board wishes to recommend, in cases of exceptional urgency, that work for which no financial provision exists be started before the next regular session of the General Assembly, it shall include a specific indication to that effect to the Executive Director in the resolution approving the proposal.

VI. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Quorum

Rule 32

A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

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## Powers of the President

### Rule 33

In addition to exercising the powers conferred upon him elsewhere by these rules, the President shall declare the opening and closing of each meeting of the Board, shall direct the discussion, ensure observance of these rules, accord the right to speak, put questions to the vote and announce decisions. He shall rule on points of order and, subject to these rules, shall have control of the proceedings of the Board and over the maintenance of order at its meetings. The President may propose to the Board the limitation of time to be allowed to speakers, the limitation of the number of times each representative may speak on any question, the closure of the list of speakers or the closure of the debate. He may also propose the suspension or the adjournment of the meetings or of the debate on the question under discussion.

### Rule 34

The President, in the exercise of his functions, remains under the authority of the Board.

## Speeches

### Rule 35

No person may address the Board without having previously obtained the permission of the President. Subject to rules 36 and 37 the President shall call upon speakers in the order in which they signify their desire to speak. The President may call a speaker to order if his remarks are not relevant to the subject under discussion.

## Precedence

### Rule 36

The Chairman, Vice-Chairman or Rapporteur of a committee or working party, and delegates or representatives of any subsidiary organ, may be accorded precedence

in speaking for the purpose of explaining the conclusion arrived at by the committee, working party or subsidiary organ concerned and for the purpose of replying to questions.

#### Points of Order

##### Rule 37

1. During the discussion of any matter, a representative may at any time rise to a point of order, and the point of order shall be immediately decided by the President in accordance with the rules of procedure. A representative may appeal against the ruling of the President. The appeal shall be immediately put to the vote, and the ruling of the President shall stand unless overruled by a majority vote of the members present and voting.

2. A representative rising to a point of order may not speak on the substance of the matter under discussion.

#### Time-Limit on Speeches

##### Rule 38

The Board may limit the time allowed to each speaker and the number of times each representative may speak on any questions, except on procedural questions, when the President shall limit each intervention to a maximum of five minutes. When debate is limited and a representative has spoken his allotted time, the President shall call him to order without delay.

#### Closing of List of Speakers

##### Rule 39

During the course of a debate the President may announce the list of speakers and, with the consent of the Board, declare the list closed. The President may, however, accord the right of reply to any member if, in his opinion, a speech delivered after he has declared the list closed makes this desirable.

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When the debate of an item is concluded because there are no other speakers, the President, with the consent of the Board, shall declare the debate closed.

#### Adjournment of Debate

##### Rule 40

During the discussion of any matter, a representative may move the adjournment of the debate on the question under discussion. In addition to the proposer of the motion, one representative may speak in favour of and one against the motion, after which the motion shall be immediately put to the vote.

#### Closure of Debate

##### Rule 41

A representative may at any time move the closure of the debate on the question under discussion, whether or not any other representative has signified his wish to speak. Permission to speak on the closure of the debate shall be accorded only to two speakers opposing the closure, after which the motion shall be immediately put to the vote.

#### Suspension or Adjournment of the Meeting

##### Rule 42

During the discussion of any matter a representative may move the suspension or the adjournment of the meeting. Such motion shall not be debated, but shall be immediately put to the vote.

#### Order of Procedural Motions

##### Rule 43

Subject to Rules 39 and 40 and regardless of the order in which they are submitted, the following motions shall take precedence in the following order over all other motions that may be introduced at the meeting:



- (a) To suspend the meeting;
- (b) To adjourn the meeting;
- (c) To adjourn the debate on the question under discussion;
- (d) For the closure of the debate on the question under discussion.

#### Proposals and Amendments

##### Rule 44

Proposals and amendments shall normally be introduced in writing and handed to the Executive Director, who shall circulate copies to the members. As a general rule, no proposal shall be discussed or put to the vote at any meeting of the Board unless copies of it have been circulated to all members not later than the day preceding the meeting. Subject to the consent of the Board, the President may, however, permit the discussion and consideration of proposals even though these proposals or amendments have not been circulated or have only been circulated the same day.

#### Decision on Competence

##### Rule 45

Subject to rule 43, any motion calling for a decision on the competence of the Board to adopt any proposal or any amendment submitted to it shall be put to the vote before a vote is taken on the proposal or amendment in question.

#### Withdrawal of Motions

##### Rule 46

A motion may be withdrawn by its proposer at any time before voting on it has commenced, provided that the motion has not been amended. A motion which has thus been withdrawn may be reintroduced by another member.

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## VII. VOTING

### Rule 47

Each member of the Board shall have one vote.

### Majority Required and Meaning of the Expression "Members Present and Voting"

#### Rule 48

1. Decisions of the Board shall be made by a majority of the members present and voting.
2. For the purpose of these rules, the phrase "members present and voting" means members present and casting an affirmative or negative vote. Members which abstain from voting are considered as not voting.

### Method of Voting

#### Rule 49

Subject to rule 15, the Board shall normally vote by show of hands, but any representative may request a roll call, which shall then be taken in the English alphabetical order of the names of the members, beginning with the member whose name is drawn by lot by the President.

### Recording of Roll Call

#### Rule 50

The vote of each member participating in a roll call shall be inserted in the record.

### Quorum During Voting

#### Rule 51

When the President has announced the beginning of voting, no representative shall be permitted to interrupt on a point of order in connexion with the actual

conduct of the voting. The President may permit members to explain their votes, either before or after the voting, except when the vote is taken by secret ballot. The President may limit the time to be allowed for such explanations. The President shall not permit the proposer of a proposal or of an amendment to explain his vote on his own proposal or amendment.

### Division of Proposals or Amendments

#### Rule 52

A representative may move that parts of a proposal or of an amendment shall be voted on separately. If objection is made to the request for division, the motion for division shall be voted upon. Permission to speak on the motion for division shall be given only to two speakers in favour and two speakers against. If the motion for division is carried, those parts of the proposal or of the amendment which are subsequently approved shall be put to the vote as a whole. If all operative parts of the proposal or of the amendment have been rejected, the proposal or the amendment shall be considered to have been rejected as a whole.

### Voting on Amendments

#### Rule 53

1. When an amendment is moved to a proposal, the amendment shall be voted on first. When two or more amendments are moved to a proposal, the Board shall first vote on the amendment furthest removed in substance from the original proposal and then on the amendment next furthest removed therefrom and so on until all the amendments have been put to the vote. Where, however, the adoption of one amendment necessarily implies the rejection of another amendment, the latter amendment shall not be put to the vote. If one or more amendments are adopted, the amended proposal shall then be voted upon. If no amendments are adopted, the proposal shall be put to the vote in its original form.

2. A motion is considered an amendment to a proposal if it adds to, deletes from or revises part of that proposal.

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### Voting on Proposals

#### Rule 54

1. If two or more proposals relate to the same question, the Board shall, unless it decides otherwise, vote on the proposals in the order in which they have been submitted. The Board may, after each vote on a proposal, decide whether to vote on the next proposal.

2. Any motions requiring that no decision be taken on the substance of such proposals shall, however, be considered as previous questions and shall be put to the vote before them.

### Elections

#### Rule 55

All elections shall be held by secret ballot unless otherwise decided by the Board.

#### Rule 56

1. If, when one person or member only is to be elected, no candidate obtains in the first ballot the majority required, a second ballot shall be taken, restricted to the two candidates obtaining the largest number of votes. If in the second ballot the votes are equally divided, the President shall decide between the candidates by drawing lots.

2. In the case of a tie in the first ballot among the candidates obtaining the second largest number of votes, a special ballot shall be held for the purpose of reducing the number of candidates to two. In the case of a tie among three or more candidates obtaining the largest number of votes, a second ballot shall be held. If a tie results among more than two candidates, the number shall be reduced to two by holding the ballot, restricted to them, shall continue in accordance with the preceding paragraph.

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Rule 57

1. When two or more elective places are to be filled at one time under the same conditions, those candidates obtaining a majority on the first ballot shall be elected.

2. If the number of candidates obtaining such majority is more than the number of places to be filled, those candidates obtaining the largest number of votes shall be elected.

3. If the number of candidates obtaining such majority is less than the number of places to be filled, there shall be held additional ballots to fill the remaining places, the voting being restricted to the candidates obtaining the greatest number of votes in the previous ballot, who shall number not more than twice the places remaining to be filled. However, in the case of a tie between a greater number of unsuccessful candidates, a special ballot shall be held for the purpose of reducing the number of candidates to the required number.

4. If three restricted ballots are inconclusive, unrestricted ballots shall follow in which votes may be cast for any eligible person or member. If three such unrestricted ballots are inconclusive, the next three ballots (subject to exception in the case similar to that of the tie mentioned at the end of the previous paragraph of this rule) shall be restricted to the candidates obtaining the greatest number of votes in the third of the unrestricted ballots. The number of such candidates shall not be more than twice the places remaining to be filled.

5. The following three ballots thereafter shall be unrestricted and so on, until all the places are filled.

Equally Divided Votes

Rule 58

If a vote is equally divided on matters other than elections, the proposal shall be regarded as rejected.

VIII. SESSIONAL COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES AND  
SUBSIDIARY ORGANS OF THE BOARD

Rule 59

The Board may establish such sessional committees and working parties and subsidiary organs as may be necessary for the effective discharge of its functions.

Sessional Committees and Working Parties

Rule 60

1. At each session, the Board may set up sessional committees and working parties, from among its members, and refer to them any questions on the agenda for a study and report. Unless the Board decides otherwise, members of such sessional committees and working parties shall be nominated by the President in consultation with the other members of the Bureau and subject to the approval of the Board.

2. Sub-committees and sub-groups of working parties shall be nominated by the Chairman of the committee or working party concerned, subject to the approval of the committee or working party.

3. The provisions of rules 32 to 58 of these rules of procedure shall be applied in the proceedings of the Committees, working parties and any sub-committees or sub-groups set up by them.

Rule 61

Each sessional committee and working party shall elect its own officers, unless otherwise decided by the Board.

Subsidiary Organs of the Board

Rule 62

The Board may establish such subsidiary organs on a permanent or ad hoc basis as may be necessary for the effective discharge of its functions, including, as required, expert groups to consider specific problems and make recommendations.

IX. LANGUAGES AND SCRIPTS

Official and Working Languages

Rule 63

Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish shall be the official languages, and English, French and Spanish the working languages of the Board.

Interpretation from Official Languages

Rule 64

Speeches made in any of the official languages shall be interpreted into the other official languages.

Interpretation from Other Languages

Rule 65

Any representative may make a speech in a language other than the official languages. In this case he shall himself provide for interpretation into one of the official languages. Interpretation into the other official languages by an interpreter of the Secretariat may be based on the interpretation given in the first official language.

Language of Summary Records

Rule 66

Summary records of the Board and its sessional committees shall be drawn up in the working languages.

Language of Resolutions and Other Formal Decisions

Rule 67

All resolutions, recommendations and other formal decisions of the Board as well as its reports to the General Assembly shall be made available in the official languages.

Summary Records of Public Meetings

Rule 68

1. Summary records of public meetings of the Board and of its sessional committees and subsidiary organs shall be prepared by the Secretariat. They shall be distributed in provisional form as soon as possible to all members of the Board and any others participating in the meeting, who may, within three working days /...

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of their receipt by delegations and others participating in the meeting, submit corrections to the Secretariat. Any disagreement concerning such corrections shall be decided by the President of the Board or by the Chairman of the committee or subsidiary organ to which the summary record relates, after consulting, where available, the summary records of the proceedings. At the end of sessions and in other special circumstances, the President of the Board or the Chairman of the committee or subsidiary organ concerned may, in consultation with the Executive Director, on giving previous notice, extend the time for submitting corrections.

2. The summary records with any such corrections incorporated, shall be distributed promptly to the members of the Board and to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency. Separate corrigenda shall not normally be issued.

#### Records of Private Meetings

##### Rule 69

The records of private meetings of the Board and of its sessional committees shall be distributed promptly to the members of the Board and to any others participating in the meeting. They shall be made available to other States upon decision of the Board. They may be made public at such time and under such conditions as the Board may decide.

#### Resolutions and Other Formal Actions

##### Rule 70

As soon as possible, the ~~text~~ of the resolutions, recommendations and other formal decisions adopted by the Board, its sessional committees and other subsidiary organs shall be distributed by the Secretariat to all members of the Board and any others participating in the session. The printed text of such resolutions, recommendations and other formal decisions as well as of the reports of the Board to the General Assembly shall be distributed as soon as possible after the close of the session to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

#### Sound Records of Meetings

##### Rule 71

Sound records of the meetings of the Board and of its sessional committees shall be kept by the Secretariat in accordance with the practices of the United Nations.



X. PUBLIC AND PRIVATE MEETINGS

Rule 72

The meetings of the Board, its sessional committees and working parties and subsidiary organs shall be held in public unless the body concerned decides otherwise.

XI. PARTICIPATION OF OTHER STATES NOT  
MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Rule 73

The Board shall invite any State Member of the United Nations or member of a specialized agency or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which is not a member of the Board, to participate in its deliberations on any matter of particular concern to that State. Any State thus invited shall not have the right to vote, but may submit proposals which may be put to the vote by request of any member of the Board.

Rule 74

A subsidiary organ may invite any State Member of the United Nations or member of a specialized agency or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which is not one of its own members, to participate in its deliberations on any matter of particular concern to that member. Any State thus invited shall not have the right to vote, but may submit proposals which may be put to the vote by request of any member of the subsidiary organ concerned.

XII. PARTICIPATION OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, THE INTERNATIONAL  
ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, AND OTHER INTER-GOVERNMENTAL  
ORGANIZATIONS

Rule 75

1. Representatives of specialized agencies, the IAEA and inter-governmental organizations referred to in paragraph 55 of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI) which are designated for this purpose by the Board, may participate, without the

right to vote, in the deliberation of the Board and its subsidiary organs upon the invitation of the President or Chairman, as the case may be, on questions within the scope of their activities.

4. Written statements of specialized agencies, the IAEA and inter-governmental organizations referred to in paragraph 1 above, related to items on the agenda of the Board or its subsidiary organs, shall be circulated by the Secretariat to members of the Board and the subsidiary organ concerned.

#### XIII. OBSERVERS OF INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

##### Rule 76

1. International non-governmental organizations concerned with the promotion of industrial development referred to in paragraph 36 of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI) may designate representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the Board, its committees and subsidiary organs. The Board, shall from time to time adopt a list of such organizations. Upon the invitation of the President or Chairman, as the case may be, and subject to the approval of the Board or of the subsidiary organ concerned, international non-governmental organizations may make oral statements on matters within the scope of their activities.

2. Written statements provided by international non-governmental organizations referred to in paragraph 1 above, related to items on the agenda of the Board or of its subsidiary organs, shall be circulated by the Secretariat to members of the Board and the subsidiary organ concerned.

#### XIV. AMENDMENTS AND SUSPENSIONS OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

##### Rule 77

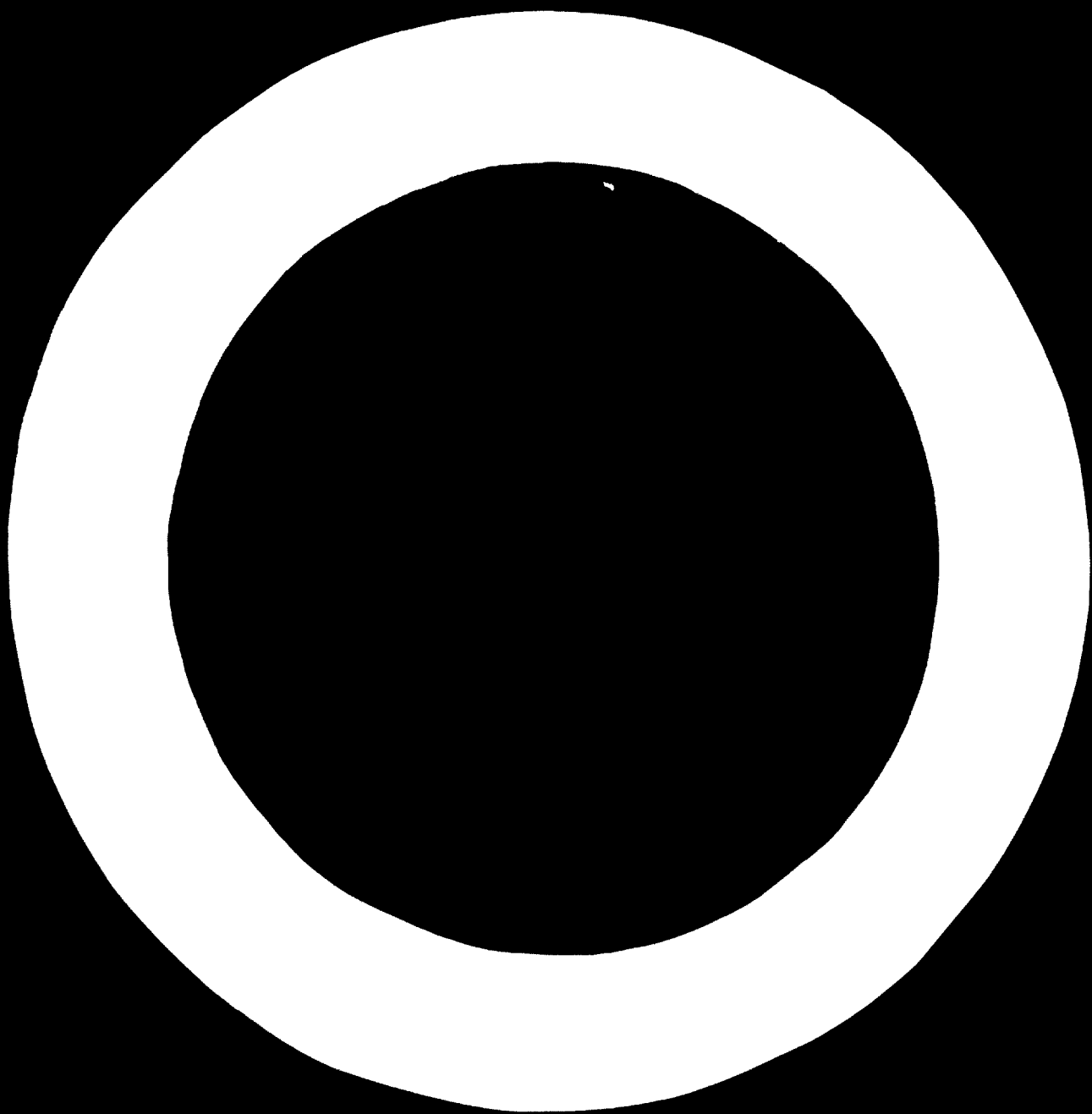
Any of these rules may be amended or suspended by the Board.

##### Rule 78

These rules may not be amended until the Board has received a report on the proposed amendment from a committee or working party of the Board established for that purpose.

Rule 79

A rule of procedure may be suspended by the Board provided that twenty-four hours' notice of the proposal for the suspension has been given. The notice may be waived if no member objects.



ANNEX

As from 1967, the following rotation of Groups within the six-year cycle shall be provided for with respect to the election of President of the Board:\*

- Asian States plus Yugoslavia in Group A;
- States in Group C;
- States in Group B;
- States in Group D;
- African States in Group A;
- States in Group B.

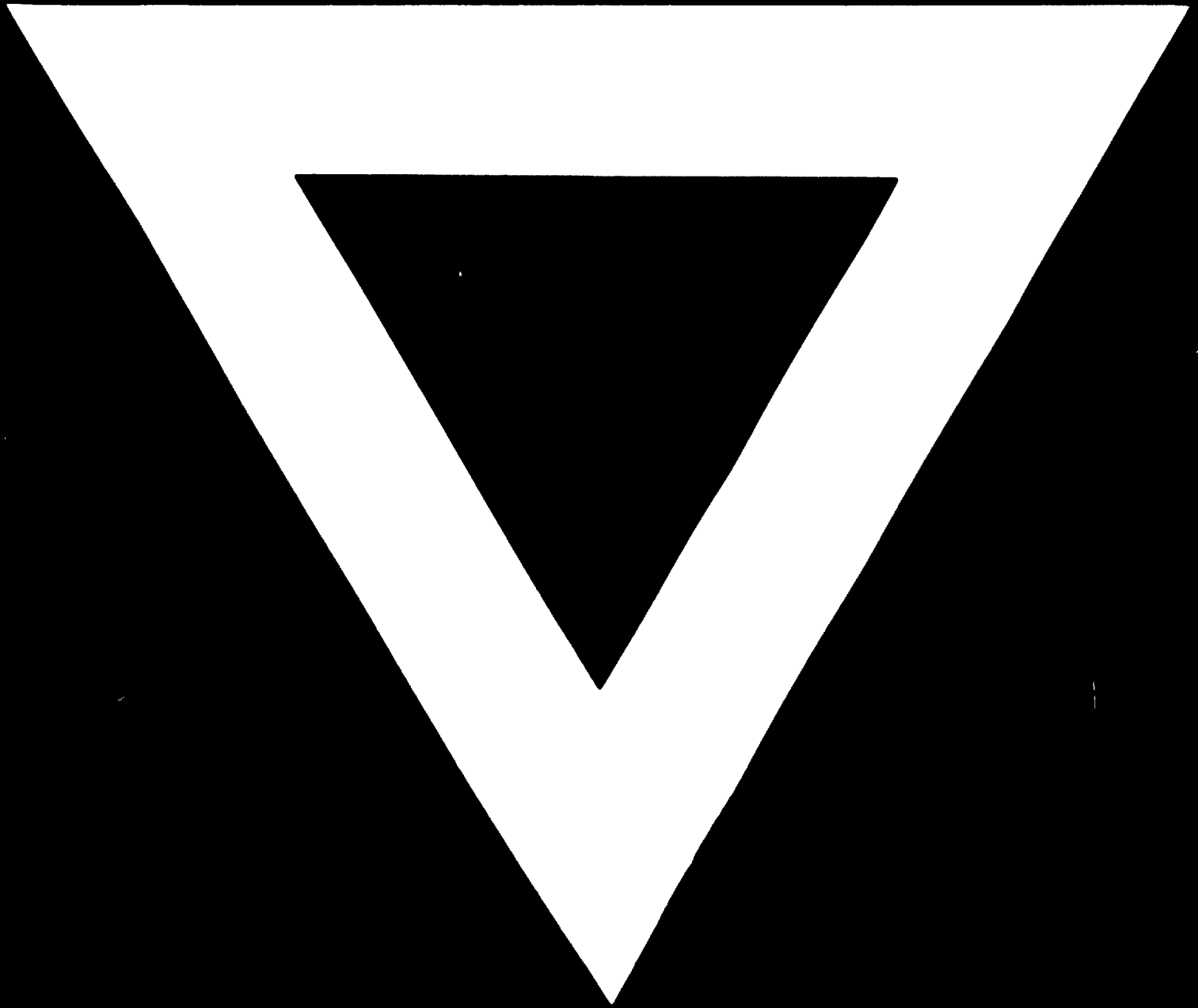
As from 1967, the following rotation of Groups within the five-year cycle shall be provided for with respect to the election of Rapporteur of the Board:\*

- African States in Group A;
- States in Group D;
- States in Group C;
- Asian States plus Yugoslavia in Group A;
- States in Group B.

In each year States of any one among the five categories mentioned above shall not be elected for both offices of President and of Rapporteur. In the years in which both the President and the Rapporteur would belong to the same Group in accordance with the established system of rotation, that Group shall postpone presentation of a candidate for the office of Rapporteur for one year, and the Group next in line shall hold the post of Rapporteur for that year.

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\* The sequence of groups of States is the same as that adopted by the Trade and Development Board. It is subject to the decision of the Industrial Development Board.



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