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Report by the Director-General

In compliance with General Conference decision GC.12/Dec. 19, reports on the consultations of the Director-General with Member States interested in hosting the thirteenth session of the General Conference.

1. In compliance with rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, regular sessions of the General Conference shall be held at the seat of the Organization, unless otherwise determined by the Conference. At its twelfth session the General Conference noted that the thirteenth session of the Conference had been tentatively scheduled for 7 to 11 December 2009 in Vienna (decision GC.12/Dec.19). However, the Conference also acknowledged the tentative interest of some Member States to host the thirteenth session of the Conference.
2. The Conference requested the Director-General to undertake the necessary consultations with interested Member States, with particular regard to rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference. It may be noted that rule 8 stipulates that “the actual additional costs directly or indirectly involved in holding a session away from the seat of the Organization shall be borne by the host Government.”
3. Furthermore, the Conference delegated to the Board, in accordance with Article 8 (2) (b) and Article 8 (4) of the Constitution of UNIDO, the authority to consider and determine at its thirty-fourth session, the venue and date of the thirteenth session of the General Conference.

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4. To date, the Director-General has held consultations with representatives of various Member States in response to their informal expressions of interest in hosting the thirteenth session of the Conference. The Board will be apprised of any developments pertaining to these ongoing consultations.

Action required of the Board

5. The Board is invited to take note of the information contained in the present document and determine the date and place of the thirteenth session of the Conference.
