



SEVENTEENTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Report of the Director-General

**Fourth Supplementary Report:
Appointment of an Executive Director**

1. Article 4.2(b) of the Staff Regulations provides that –

Appointments to vacancies of Deputy Director-General, Assistant Director-General and Treasurer and Financial Comptroller shall be made by the Director-General after consultation with the Officers of the Governing Body.

- Article 4.6(b) of the Staff Regulations provides that –

The Deputy Director-General, Assistant Director-General and Treasurer and Financial Comptroller shall be appointed for periods not exceeding five years. The appointments may be renewed indefinitely. No single extension shall exceed five years.

2. Article 1.4(b) of the Staff Regulations provides that Deputy Directors-General, Assistant Directors-General and the Treasurer and Financial Comptroller, on entering upon their duties, shall make and sign the prescribed declaration of loyalty before the Governing Body in public session.
3. After duly consulting the Officers of the Governing Body, the Director-General has appointed Mr. Assane Diop as an Executive Director with the grade of Assistant Director-General, with effect from 15 April 2000.
4. This decision is communicated to the Governing Body for information. A brief statement concerning the qualifications and previous activities of Mr. Diop are given overleaf.

Geneva, 21 March 2000.

Mr. Assane Diop (Senegal)

Appointed Executive Director responsible for the Social Protection Sector with effect from 15 April 2000.

Born in Dakar in 1948, Mr. Diop holds a Master's degree in Romance languages and literature from the Cheikh Anta Diop University, Dakar, and advanced degrees in those subjects from the Universities of Sao Paolo (Brazil) and Lisbon (Portugal). Following a career in the field of education, Mr. Diop held various posts at senior decision-making level in the social and labour sphere, both in Senegal and in the African region. These posts included Secretary-General of the Senegalese Teachers' Trade Union (SYPROS – 1982-86), Federal Secretary of the International Department of the National Confederation of Workers of Senegal (CNTS – 1982-86), and Deputy Secretary-General responsible for Education and Training at the Organization for African Trade Union Unity (OATUU – 1987-90).

Mr. Diop was Minister of Health since 1998, prior to which he was Minister of Labour and Employment (1995-98) and Minister of Public Health and Social Affairs (1990-95).

He has represented his Government in several international fora, including the International Labour Conference (1982-90), the World Summit for Social Development (1995) – where he was personal representative of the President of Senegal – various bodies of the World Health Organization, the United Nations and the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie.