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SHAIKH MANZOOR AHMED (PAKISTAN) IS CHAIRMAN OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Shaikh Manzoor Ahmed, who was yesterday elected Chairman of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development, is Secretary to the Government of Pakistan in the Ministry of Science and Technology.

Born in Shikarpur (Sind) Pakistan, on 14 January 1928, he was educated at the N.E.D. Government Engineering College, Karachi and the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago. He began his career as a lecturer at N.E.D. Government Engineering College, Karachi.

He joined the Public Works Department of the Government of Sind in 1951 as Assistant Executive Engineer. Since then, he has held various engineering positions with the Administration, Communications and Works Department of the West Pakistan Government. In 1974 he was named Chairman of the Board of (Industrial) Management in Sind. In 1976 he went on deputation to the World Bank and also in that year he was Managing Director of the Pakistan Tourism Development Corporation. He was promoted to the rank of Secretary of the Ministry of Science and Technology in Islamabad, 1976, and in 1978 he was Chairman of the Federal Light Engineering Corporation. In 1980 he went to his current post.

Since 1975 he has represented his country at numerous international conferences, some of which include: World Bank Missions to Kenya and Somalia; United Nations World Conference on Desertification in Nairobi, Kenya (1977), where he was elected Vice-Chairman; Intergovernmental Group of Experts on the United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology (1980), where he was elected Vice-Chairman; and Meeting of the Synthesis Group of the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy (1981).

He is married and has two children.

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