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Report of the Credentials Committee

Credentials of representatives to the thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chair: Mr. José Juan **Hernandez Chavez** (Chile)

1. On 13 and 14 June 2022, the thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, in accordance with rule 14 of the rules of procedure for Meetings of States Parties, appointed, on the proposal of the President, a credentials committee consisting of the following States parties: Chile, China, Haiti, Iceland, Philippines, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Spain and Uganda.
2. The Credentials Committee met on 14 June 2022 and elected José Juan Hernandez Chavez (Chile) as Chair and Wisnique Panier (Haiti) as Vice-Chair, by acclamation.
3. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat, dated 14 June 2022, concerning the credentials of representatives of States parties participating in the thirty-second Meeting.
4. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum, as updated by the statement of the representative of the Office of Legal Affairs, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government, the Minister for Foreign Affairs or a person authorized by either of them had been received by the Secretariat for the representatives of the following 70 States parties: Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Comoros, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Thailand,



Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

5. As noted in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, as updated by the statement of the representative of the Office of Legal Affairs, provisional information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the thirty-second Meeting, including representatives of the European Union, had been received by the Secretariat from the following 94 States parties: Albania, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Canada, Chad, Cook Islands, Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Eswatini, European Union, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Iraq, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Kiribati, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Niue, North Macedonia, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Republic of Moldova, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Sri Lanka, State of Palestine, Sudan, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Vanuatu and Viet Nam.

6. The Committee had before it two communications concerning the representation of Myanmar at the thirty-second Meeting, indicating different individuals as representatives to the Meeting. The first was dated 24 May 2022, from the Permanent Mission of Myanmar to the United Nations in New York. The second was dated 31 May 2022, from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Myanmar. Acknowledging the report of the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly at its seventy-sixth session ([A/76/550](#)), the Chair proposed that the Committee defer its decision on the credentials pertaining to the representatives of Myanmar to the thirty-second Meeting. The Committee adopted the proposal without a vote.

7. The Chair proposed that the Committee accept the credentials of all the representatives mentioned in the memorandum by the Secretariat, as updated, on the understanding that formal credentials of the representatives referred to in paragraph 2 of the memorandum would be communicated to the Secretariat as soon as possible. The following draft resolution was proposed by the Chair for adoption by the Committee:

The Credentials Committee,

Having examined the credentials of the representatives of States parties participating in the thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea referred to in the memorandum by the Secretariat dated 14 June 2022,

Noting that, in accordance with rule 1 of the rules of procedure for Meetings of States Parties and the understanding reached by the twenty-third Meeting of States Parties, the credentials of the representatives of States parties participating in the thirty-second Meeting will continue to be valid until the convening of the thirty-third Meeting,

Accepts the credentials of the representatives referred to in the memorandum by the Secretariat, as updated.

8. The draft resolution was adopted by the Committee without a vote.

9. Subsequently, the Chair proposed that the Committee recommend to the thirty-second Meeting the adoption of a draft decision (see para. 11). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

10. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the thirty-second Meeting.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

11. The Credentials Committee recommends to the thirty-second Meeting the adoption of the following draft decision:

Credentials of representatives of States parties participating in the thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

The thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea approves the report of the Credentials Committee on the understanding that the credentials of the representatives of States parties participating in the thirty-second Meeting will continue to be valid until the convening of the thirty-third Meeting, in accordance with rule 1 of the rules of procedure for Meetings of States Parties.
