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Report of the Credentials Committee

Credentials of representatives to the twenty-ninth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chair: Ms. Christine **Bailey** (Jamaica)

1. On 17 June 2019, the twenty-ninth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea appointed, on the proposal of the President, a credentials committee consisting of the following States parties: Cyprus, Eswatini, Gabon, Iceland, Jamaica, Portugal, Republic of Korea and Russian Federation.
2. The Credentials Committee met on 18 June 2019 and elected Christine Bailey (Jamaica) as Chair and Doros Venezis (Cyprus) as Vice-Chair, by acclamation.
3. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat, dated 18 June 2019, on the status of credentials of representatives of States parties participating in the twenty-ninth Meeting.
4. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum, 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 73 States parties: Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Ecuador, Eswatini, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kuwait, Latvia, Malta, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Oman, Paraguay, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Viet Nam.
5. As noted in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, provisional information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the twenty-ninth



Meeting, including representatives of the European Union, had been communicated to the Secretary-General by the following 53 States parties: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, European Union, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Guyana, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Mongolia, Montenegro, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Russian Federation, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, State of Palestine, Suriname, Switzerland, Togo, Tonga, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia.

6. The Chair proposed that the Committee accept the credentials of all the representatives mentioned in the memorandum by the Secretariat 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 twenty-ninth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea referred to in the memorandum by the Secretariat dated 18 June 2019,

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 twenty-ninth Meeting will continue to be valid until the convening of the thirtieth Meeting,

Accepts the credentials of the representatives concerned.

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

8. Subsequently, the Chair proposed that the Committee recommend to the twenty-ninth Meeting the adoption of a draft decision (see para. 10 below). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

9. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the twenty-ninth Meeting.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

10. The Credentials Committee recommends to the twenty-ninth Meeting the adoption of the following draft decision:

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

The twenty-ninth 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 twenty-ninth Meeting will continue to be valid until the convening of the thirtieth Meeting, in accordance with rule 1 of the rules of procedure for Meetings of States Parties.