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

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairperson: Mr. Bjørn **Kunoy** (Denmark)

1. On 9 June 2014, the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following nine States Parties: Angola, Argentina, Australia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Kenya, Iraq, Paraguay and Viet Nam.
2. The Credentials Committee met on 10 June 2014 and elected Mr. Bjørn Kunoy (Denmark) as Chairperson by acclamation.
3. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat, dated 10 June 2014, on the status of credentials of representatives participating in the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
4. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or by a person authorized by either of them had been received by the Secretariat for the representatives of the following 92 States participating in the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Canada, China, Cook Islands, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Djibouti, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nauru, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niue, Norway, Oman, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Senegal, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden,



Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe.

5. As noted in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties had been communicated by means of facsimile or in the form of letters or notes verbales from ministries, embassies, permanent missions to the United Nations or other Government offices or authorities, or through local United Nations offices, by the following 62 States participating in the twenty-fourth Meeting: Albania, Angola, Armenia, Bahrain, Belarus, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Chad, Chile, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lithuania, Malawi, Mauritania, Micronesia (Federated States of), Montenegro, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palau, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Yemen and Zambia.

6. In addition, information concerning the appointment of representatives has also been received from the delegation of the European Union to the United Nations.

7. The Chairperson proposed that the Committee should 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 Secretariat's memorandum, would be communicated to the Secretariat as soon as possible. The following draft resolution was proposed by the Chairperson for adoption by the Committee:

The Credentials Committee,

Having examined the credentials of the representatives to the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea referred to in the memorandum of the Secretariat dated 10 June 2014,

Accepts the credentials of the representatives concerned.

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

9. Subsequently, the Chairperson proposed that the Committee should recommend to the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties the adoption of a draft resolution (see para. 11 below). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

10. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

11. The Credentials Committee recommends to the twenty-fourth Meeting of States Parties the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea,

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.
