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## CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

## Report of the Credentials Committee

1. On 22 April 1993, at its 4th meeting, the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, convened in New York at United Nations Headquarters for its organizational session, appointed, in accordance with rule 5 of its rules of procedure, a Credentials Committee composed of the representatives of the following States: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Burundi, China, Kenya, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Russian Federation and United States of America.

2. The Credentials Committee met on 24 August 1994, under the chairmanship of Mr. Ernesto Martínez Gondra (Argentina).

3. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General dated 23 August 1994, indicating that, as of that date, communications had been received from 96 States and from the European Community.

4. Credentials in the form provided for by rule 4, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure have been submitted to the Secretary-General by the following States: Algeria, Australia, Barbados, Belize, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Cook Islands, Denmark, Eritrea, Fiji, Finland, France, Greece, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Kiribati, Malaysia, Micronesia (Federated States of), Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niue, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Samoa, Senegal, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Vanuatu.

5. Credentials in the form provided for by rule 4, paragraph 2, of the rules of procedure have been submitted to the Secretary-General by the European Community.

6. The appointment of the representatives of the following States has been communicated by note verbale, letter or cable from the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Permanent Mission to the United Nations: Albania, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Austria, Bahamas, Belgium, Burundi, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Kenya, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela.

7. The Credentials Committee decided to recommend that States referred to in paragraph 6 that have not yet submitted credentials in due form should be encouraged to do so, in accordance with rule 4, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure.

8. The Credentials Committee decided to recommend to the Conference the adoption of the following draft decision:

"<u>The United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly</u> <u>Migratory Fish Stocks</u>

"<u>Accepts</u> the credentials of the representatives referred to in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the report of the Credentials Committee,

"<u>Accepts also</u> as an exceptional measure and subject to later validation, the appointment of the representatives referred to in paragraph 6 of the report of the Credentials Committee."

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