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### Credentials of representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly

#### Report of the Credentials Committee

*Chair:* Ms. Carolyn **Rodrigues-Birkett** (Guyana)

1. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 13 September 2022, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 28 of its rules of procedure, appointed a Credentials Committee for its seventy-seventh session consisting of the following Member States: Angola, Austria, China, Guyana, Maldives, Russian Federation, United States of America, Uruguay and Zambia.
2. The Credentials Committee held one meeting on 12 December 2022.
3. The Permanent Representative of Guyana to the United Nations, Carolyn Rodrigues-Birkett, was unanimously elected Chair.
4. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General dated 7 December 2022 concerning the credentials of representatives of Member States to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly. The Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs made a statement in relation to the memorandum.
5. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General, as updated by the statement made by the Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs as required by rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly had been submitted by the following 96 Member States in respect of their representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly: Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Belize, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Dominica, Ecuador, Eritrea, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malta, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname,



Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, and Zimbabwe.

6. As indicated in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, as updated by the statement made by the Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, information concerning the appointment of representatives of Member States to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly had been communicated to the Secretary-General by means of a copy of formal credentials signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or by means of a letter or note verbale from the Permanent Mission concerned, by the following 93 Member States: Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Iceland, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kiribati, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Oman, Paraguay, Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Serbia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, and Zambia.

7. As indicated in paragraph 3 of the memorandum, the following Member State had not transmitted any communication to the Secretary-General: Sao Tome and Principe.

8. The Committee had before it two communications concerning the representation of Myanmar at the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, indicating different individuals as representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly. The first was dated 19 August 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Myanmar to the United Nations in New York. The second was dated 24 August 2022 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Myanmar.

9. The Committee had before it two communications concerning the representation of Afghanistan at the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, indicating different individuals as representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly. The first was dated 6 September 2022 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of Afghanistan to the United Nations in New York. The second was dated 17 September 2022 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan.

10. The Committee had before it two communications concerning the representation of Libya at the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, indicating different individuals as representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly. The first was dated 13 September 2022 from the "Minister of Foreign Affairs and international cooperation" and the communication referred to the decision of the House of Representatives to appoint Fathi Bashagha as "Prime Minister" and to approve the formation of a "Government of National Stability". The second was dated 5 October 2022 from the Permanent Mission of Libya to the United Nations in New York.

11. The Chair proposed that the Committee postpone its consideration of the credentials pertaining to the representatives of Myanmar, of the credentials pertaining to the representatives of Afghanistan and of the credentials pertaining to the

representatives of Libya to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, and to revert to consideration of these credentials at a future time in the seventy-seventh session. The proposal was adopted without a vote.

12. The Chair also proposed the following draft resolution for adoption by the Committee on the understanding that the formal credentials of the representatives of the Member States referred to in paragraph 6 of the present report would be communicated to the Secretary-General as soon as possible:

*The Credentials Committee,*

*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly,

*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General, as updated.

13. The draft resolution proposed by the Chair was adopted without a vote.

14. The representative of the United States of America dissociated from the adoption of the Committee's resolution, solely with respect to the acceptance of the credentials submitted by the Maduro representative on behalf of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

15. The Chair then proposed that the Committee recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution entitled "Credentials of representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly" (see para. 17). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

16. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the General Assembly.

### **Recommendation of the Credentials Committee**

17. The Credentials Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### **Credentials of representatives to the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,

*Approves* the report of the Credentials Committee.<sup>1</sup>

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