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Credentials of representatives to the sixtieth session of the General Assembly

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairman: Mr. Ricardo Alberto **Arias** (Panama)

1. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 13 September 2005, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 28 of its rules of procedure, appointed a Credentials Committee for its sixtieth session consisting of the following Member States: Cameroon, China, Panama, Portugal, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Sierra Leone, the Russian Federation and the United States of America.
2. The Credentials Committee held its meeting on 13 December 2005.
3. Mr. Ricardo Alberto Arias (Panama) was unanimously elected Chairman of the Committee.
4. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General, dated 13 December 2005, concerning the credentials of representatives of Member States to the sixtieth regular session of the General Assembly.
5. As indicated in paragraph 1 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General, formal credentials in the form required by rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, had been submitted by the following 133 States: Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, Australia, Austria, the Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Canada, Cape Verde, the Central African Republic, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, the

Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, the Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Serbia and Montenegro, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen and Zimbabwe.

6. As indicated in paragraph 2 of the Secretary-General's memorandum, information concerning the appointment of their representatives to the sixtieth session of the General Assembly had been communicated to the Secretary-General by means of a facsimile communication from the Head of State or Government or Minister for Foreign Affairs, or by means of a letter or note verbale from the Permanent Mission concerned by the following 46 Member States: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Chad, Croatia, Cuba, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominica, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Fiji, the Gambia, Greece, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Kenya, Kiribati, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Malawi, the Marshall Islands, Nigeria, Palau, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Seychelles, Somalia, Swaziland, Togo, Tuvalu, the United States of America, Vanuatu, Viet Nam and Zambia.

7. As indicated in paragraph 3 of the Secretary-General's memorandum, the following 12 Member States have not sent any communication to the Secretary-General: Afghanistan, Belize, Burkina Faso, Comoros, the Congo, Gabon, Georgia, Iraq, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Sierra Leone, Tajikistan and Turkey.

8. The Chairman then proposed the following draft resolution for adoption by the Committee:

“The Credentials Committee,

“Having examined the credentials of the representatives to the sixtieth session of the General Assembly of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the report of the Credentials Committee,

[“Taking into account the statements made during the debate,]

“Accepts the credentials of the representatives of the Member States concerned.”

9. The draft resolution proposed by the Chairman was adopted without a vote.

10. The Chairman then proposed that the Committee should recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of the draft resolution (see para. 12). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

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

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

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

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The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,¹

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.

¹ A/60/595, para. 12.
