

# **Meeting of States Parties**

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

### **Report of the Credentials Committee**

Chairperson: Robert Eric Alabado **Borje** (Philippines)

- 1. On 14 June 2011, the twenty-first 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 nine States parties: Belgium, Brazil, Ghana, Norway, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Ukraine, Uruguay and Zambia.
- 2. The Credentials Committee held its meeting on 14 June 2011.
- 3. Mr. Robert Eric Alabado Borje (Philippines) was elected as Chairperson by acclamation.
- 4. The Credentials Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat, dated 14 June 2011, on the status of credentials of representatives participating in the twenty-first Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
- 5. 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 103 States participating in the twenty-first Meeting of States Parties: Algeria; Angola; Argentina; Australia; Austria; Bahamas; Bahrain; Bangladesh; Barbados; Belarus; Belgium; Benin; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Botswana; Brazil; Brunei Darussalam; Bulgaria; Cameroon; Canada; Chile; China; Congo; Cook Islands; Croatia; Cuba; Cyprus; Czech Republic; Denmark; Djibouti; Dominica; Dominican Republic; Egypt; Estonia; Fiji; Finland; France; Germany; Ghana; Greece; Guatemala; Honduras; Hungary; Iceland; India; Indonesia; Iraq; Ireland; Italy; Jamaica; Japan; Jordan; Kenya; Kuwait; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Latvia; Lebanon; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Madagascar; Malaysia; Malta; Mauritania; Mauritius; Mexico; Micronesia (Federated States of); Monaco;





Mongolia; Montenegro; Mozambique; Myanmar; Namibia; Nauru; Nepal; Netherlands; New Zealand; Norway; Oman; Pakistan; Palau; Panama; Paraguay; Poland; Portugal; Qatar; Republic of Korea; Romania; Russian Federation; Saudi Arabia; Singapore; Slovakia; Slovenia; South Africa; Sudan; Suriname; Sweden; Switzerland; Thailand; the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Togo; Trinidad and Tobago; Ukraine; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and Uruguay.

- 6. As noted in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the twenty-first 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 40 States participating in the twenty-first Meeting: Albania; Antigua and Barbuda; Armenia; Bolivia (Plurinational State of); Burkina Faso; Cape Verde; Costa Rica; Côte d'Ivoire; Democratic Republic of the Congo; Grenada; Guinea; Guyana; Haiti; Kiribati; Liberia; Malawi; Maldives; Mali; Morocco; Nicaragua; Nigeria; Papua New Guinea; Philippines; Saint Lucia; Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; Samoa; Senegal; Serbia; Seychelles; Sierra Leone; Solomon Islands; Spain; Sri Lanka; Tonga; Tunisia; Vanuatu; Viet Nam; Yemen; Zambia; and Zimbabwe. 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 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-first Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea referred to in the memorandum of the Secretariat dated 14 June 2011,

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 recommend to the twenty-first 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-first 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-first 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.

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