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Credentials of representatives to the twenty-second session of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chair: Helmut Türk (Austria)

1. At its 155th plenary meeting, held on 12 July 2016, the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following nine members: Algeria, Argentina, Austria, Cameroon, Germany, Jamaica, Japan, Myanmar and the Russian Federation.
2. The Credentials Committee held one meeting, on 19 July 2016, and elected Ambassador Helmut Türk (Austria) as its Chair for the twenty-second session.
3. The Credentials Committee examined the credentials of the representatives participating in the current session of the Assembly. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the secretariat dated 19 July 2016 on the status of those credentials.
4. As at 19 July 2016, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or by a person authorized by the Minister have been submitted for the representatives of the following 73 States participating in the twenty-second session of the Assembly: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czech Republic, Egypt, Fiji, Finland, France, Germany, Georgia, Ghana, Guinea, Honduras, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Samoa, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, State of Palestine, Sweden, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Viet Nam.

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5. As at 19 July 2016, information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the twenty-second session of the Assembly has been communicated by means of facsimile or in the form of initialled notes verbales from ministries, embassies, permanent missions to the United Nations, permanent missions to the International Seabed Authority and other government offices or authorities, by the following 10 States and the European Union participating in the Assembly: Ecuador, Iraq, Jamaica, Kenya, Kiribati, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Saudi Arabia, Trinidad and Tobago and Uganda.

6. The Chair proposed that the Committee accept the credentials of all representatives mentioned in the memorandum of the secretariat on the understanding that formal credentials of representatives referred to in paragraph 2 of the memorandum would be communicated to the secretariat as soon as possible. The following draft decision was proposed by the Chair for adoption by the Committee:

“The Credentials Committee,

Having examined the credentials of the representatives to the twenty-second session of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the memorandum of the secretariat dated 19 July 2016,

Accepts the credentials of the representatives concerned.”

7. The draft decision was adopted by the Committee without a vote.

8. Subsequently, the Chair proposed that the Committee recommend to the Assembly for adoption the draft decision contained in paragraph 10 below. The proposal was adopted by the Committee without a vote.

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

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

10. The Credentials Committee recommends to the Assembly for adoption the following draft decision:

Draft decision of the Assembly relating to the credentials of representatives to the twenty second session of the International Seabed Authority

“The Assembly of the International Seabed Authority approves the report of the Credentials Committee.”
