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CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CONFERENCE

Report of the Credentials Committee

1. Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference provided for the establishment of a Credentials Committee composed of the States Parties represented by the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman elected by the Conference, and five other States Parties appointed by the Conference on the proposal of the President.
2. At its second plenary meeting, on 14 September 1992, the Conference unanimously elected Ambassador T. Dichev (Bulgaria) as Chairman of the Credentials Committee and Mr. N. Macris (Cyprus) as Vice-Chairman. At the fourth Plenary meeting on 15 September 1992, the Conference, on the proposal of the President, appointed the following members of the Credentials Committee: Algeria, Argentina, Netherlands, Sri Lanka and Switzerland.
3. At the request of the Chairman, the Secretariat prepared an informal working paper on the status of the credentials of representatives of the States Parties and Signatories participating in the Conference as of 15 September 1992. On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman requested the President of the Conference to remind the delegations of the provisions of rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure and to invite those delegations that had not yet submitted their credentials to do so at the earliest possible date.
4. The Committee kept the question of the status of the credentials of the States Parties and the Signatory States attending the Conference under continuing review. Through informal consultations, the Committee invited those delegations that had not yet submitted their credentials to do so at the earliest possible date.

5. At its first meeting, on 16 September, the Committee had before it a memorandum dated 16 September 1992, submitted by the Secretary-General of the Conference, on the status of the credentials of participating delegations in accordance with rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure. The memorandum reads as follows:

"1. As of 16 September 1992, 40 States Parties and four Signatory States to the Convention on the Prohibition of Military or Any Other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques are participating in the Conference.

"2. As of 16 September 1992, formal credentials in due form under rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure were received by the Secretary-General of the Conference from the following States Parties: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Vietnam.

"3. Provisional credentials of the representatives of the following State Parties were communicated to the Secretary-General in the form of a cable or a fax copy from the Foreign Ministers: Argentina, Brazil, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, Italy, Pakistan, Poland and Romania.

"4. The lists of representatives of the following States Parties were communicated to the Secretary-General of the Conference by letters from the respective Permanent Missions in Geneva or New York: Algeria, Bangladesh, Greece, India, Ireland, Kuwait, Mongolia, Spain, Sri Lanka and United States of America.

"5. With respect to the Signatory States attending the Conference, provisional credentials of the representative of Bolivia were received in the form of a cable from the Foreign Minister and the lists of representatives of Iraq, Luxemburg and Morocco were communicated to the Secretary-General by their respective Permanent Missions in Geneva."

6. The Committee examined and accepted the credentials of the representatives of all the participating States referred to in the Secretary-General's memorandum of 16 September, on the understanding that those States that had not yet submitted formal credentials for their representatives as required by rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference should communicate them to the Secretary-General of the Conference as soon as possible.

7. The Committee unanimously adopted the above report.