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Examination of Delegates' Credentials

Report of the General Committee

- 1. At its second meeting, on 21 September 2017, the General Committee examined the credentials of delegates to the session, as provided for in Rule 28 of the Conference's Rules of Procedure.
- 2. At the outset, the Chairman of the Committee mentioned Rules 27, 28 and 29 of the Rules of Procedure, and recalled the following points of Rule 27 regarding credentials for the General Conference:
 - (a) Credentials designate the delegate of a Member State to a given session of the General Conference;
 - (b) They are to be submitted to the Director General; and
 - (c) They are to be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs.
- 3. Credentials satisfying the requirements of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure have been submitted to the Director General for the delegates of the following 113 Members:

Algeria Bulgaria El Salvador Argentina Burkina Faso Estonia Armenia Cambodia Ethiopia Australia Cameroon Finland Austria Canada France Azerbaijan China Georgia Bahrain Congo Germany Bangladesh Costa Rica Ghana Belarus Croatia Greece Belgium Cuba Guatemala Bosnia and Cyprus Holy See Herzegovina Czech Republic Hungary Botswana Democratic Republic **Iceland** Brazil of the Congo India Brunei Darussalam Denmark Indonesia

Iran, Islamic Monaco Senegal Serbia Republic of Mongolia Ireland Montenegro Singapore Israel Mozambique Slovakia Italy Myanmar Slovenia Jamaica Namibia South Africa Spain Japan Nepal Jordan Netherlands Sudan Kazakhstan New Zealand Sweden Korea, Republic of Nicaragua Switzerland

Kyrgyzstan Niger Syrian Arab Republic

Lao People's Nigeria Thailand Democratic Republic Norway Turkey Latvia Oman Uganda Pakistan Ukraine Lesotho

Liechtenstein United Republic of Panama

Lithuania Paraguay Tanzania Luxembourg Philippines Uruguay Madagascar Poland Uzbekistan Malaysia Vanuatu Portugal Mali Republic of Moldova Viet Nam Malta Romania Zambia Zimbabwe Mauritania Russian Federation

Mauritius San Marino Mexico Saudi Arabia

- Various official communications, which do not constitute formal credentials under Rule 27 of 4. the Rules of Procedure have been received for the delegates of the following 45 Members: Afghanistan; Albania; Angola; Belize; Benin; Bolivia, Plurinational State of; Burundi; Central African Republic; Chad; Chile; Colombia; Côte d'Ivoire; Djibouti; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; Egypt; Eritrea; Fiji; Haiti; Honduras; Iraq; Kenya; Kuwait; Lebanon; Liberia; Libya; Malawi; Morocco; Palau; Papua New Guinea; Peru; Qatar; Rwanda; Sri Lanka; Swaziland; Tajikistan; The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Togo; Tunisia; Turkmenistan; United Arab Emirates; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; United States of America; Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of; Yemen.
- The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that the Committee had received a document (GC(61)/27 and Add.1) submitted by the Arab States, members of the IAEA, participating in the sixty-first regular session of the IAEA General Conference, regarding their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegation. The Chairman also pointed out that the Committee had received a document (GC(61)/28) submitted by the Resident Representative of Israel to the IAEA, which sets out the position of Israel with regard to the reservations expressed by the Arab States, members of the IAEA, participating in the sixty-first regular session of the IAEA General Conference.
- 6. Reservations regarding the credentials of Israel were also expressed by the Islamic Republic of Iran.
- 7. Further, the Chairman of the Committee proposed that, in accordance with past practice, those delegates for whom proper credentials had not been received should, nevertheless, be allowed to participate in the work of the Conference on the understanding that they would submit credentials in due form as soon as possible, preferably before the end of the current session of the Conference.

8. The Committee, with the reservations and positions expressed above, agreed to recommend that the Conference adopt the following draft resolution:

"Examination of delegates' credentials

The General Conference,

<u>Accepts</u> the report by the General Committee on its examination of the credentials of delegates to the Conference's sixty-first regular session, which is set forth in document GC(61)29."