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Examination of Delegates' Credentials

Report of the General Committee

1. At its meeting today, 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 Chair of the Committee referred to 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 **74** Members:

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| 1. Albania | 17. Ecuador | 33. Jordan |
| 2. Argentina | 18. Egypt | 34. Korea, Republic of |
| 3. Armenia | 19. El Salvador | 35. Lao People's
Democratic
Republic |
| 4. Australia | 20. Estonia | 36. Latvia |
| 5. Austria | 21. Finland | 37. Libya |
| 6. Belgium | 22. Georgia | 38. Liechtenstein |
| 7. Brazil | 23. Germany | 39. Lithuania |
| 8. Bulgaria | 24. Greece | 40. Luxembourg |
| 9. Burkina Faso | 25. Guatemala | 41. Malaysia |
| 10. Canada | 26. Holy See | 42. Malta |
| 11. Chile | 27. Hungary | 43. Mexico |
| 12. Croatia | 28. India | 44. Mongolia |
| 13. Cyprus | 29. Iran, Islamic
Republic of | 45. Montenegro |
| 14. Czech Republic | 30. Ireland | 46. Morocco |
| 15. Denmark | 31. Italy | 47. Namibia |
| 16. Dominican
Republic | 32. Japan | |

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| 48. Netherlands | 59. Serbia | 69. Türkiye |
| 49. Nigeria | 60. Singapore | 70. United Arab
Emirates |
| 50. Norway | 61. Slovakia | 71. United Kingdom of
Great Britain and
Northern Ireland |
| 51. Oman | 62. Slovenia | 72. United States of
America |
| 52. Panama | 63. Spain | 73. Uruguay |
| 53. Philippines | 64. Sweden | 74. Viet Nam. |
| 54. Poland | 65. Syrian Arab
Republic | |
| 55. Portugal | 66. Switzerland | |
| 56. Romania | 67. Thailand | |
| 57. Russian Federation | 68. Tunisia | |
| 58. San Marino | | |

4. Various official communications, which do not constitute formal credentials under Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure have been received for the delegates of the following **39** Members:¹

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| 1. Afghanistan | 15. Indonesia | 30. Republic of
Moldova |
| 2. Algeria | 16. Iraq | 31. Saudi Arabia |
| 3. Azerbaijan | 17. Israel | 32. Senegal |
| 4. Bangladesh | 18. Kazakhstan | 33. South Africa |
| 5. Belarus | 19. Kenya | 34. Sri Lanka |
| 6. Bosnia and
Herzegovina | 20. Kuwait | 35. Turkmenistan |
| 7. China | 21. Lebanon | 36. Ukraine |
| 8. Colombia | 22. Nepal | 37. Uzbekistan |
| 9. Costa Rica | 23. New Zealand | 38. Venezuela,
Bolivarian Republic
of |
| 10. Côte d'Ivoire | 24. Nicaragua | 39. Yemen. |
| 11. Cuba | 25. Niger | |
| 12. France | 26. Pakistan | |
| 13. Ghana | 27. Paraguay | |
| 14. Honduras | 28. Peru | |
| | 29. Qatar | |

5. The Chair of the Committee pointed out that the Committee had received a document (GC(SPL.3)/6) submitted by the Arab Member States of the IAEA participating in the third special session of the IAEA General Conference, regarding their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegation, as well as a document (GC(SPL.3)/7) 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 Member States of the IAEA participating in the third special session of the IAEA General Conference. The Chair also pointed out that the Committee had received a document (GC(SPL.3)/8) containing a statement by the Islamic Republic of Iran setting out its position regarding the credentials of Israel.

6. Further, the Chair 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.

¹ As concerns Myanmar, reference is made to the resolution contained in paragraph 4 of document GC(66)/18.

7. The Secretariat informed the Committee that, on 20 January 2023, the Agency received, through the Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in Vienna, credentials signed by HE Mr Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, designating HE Mr Min Thein, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission in Vienna, as the Head of Delegation for the third special session of the General Conference.
8. The General Committee recalled IAEA General Conference Resolution GC(66)/RES/13 in which the Conference accepted the report of the General Committee on its examination of the credentials of Myanmar to the Conference's sixty-sixth regular session, as contained in document GC(66)/18.
9. Following its review, the General Committee, noting Resolution GC(66)/RES/13, the practice of the United Nations General Assembly,² and the majority of organizations in the United Nations system, and the decisions by the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Nuclear Safety at their Organizational Meeting for the Joint Eighth and Ninth Review Meeting on 20 October 2021, and the Parties to the Amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material at the Conference held from 28 March to 1 April 2022, decided not to accredit at this stage any delegate for that Member State and to recommend to the Conference that it defer a decision on the credentials of Myanmar, pending guidance from the Credentials Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, thereby leaving the seat empty for the Conference.
10. 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,

Accepts the report by the General Committee on its examination of the credentials of delegates to the Conference's third special session, which is set forth in document GC(SPL.3)/4.”

² See General Assembly resolution 77/239 of 16 December 2022.