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Examination of Delegates' Credentials

Report of the General Committee

- 1. At its second meeting, on 22 September 2011, 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 read out 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 submitted to the Director General; and
 - (c) They are 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 102 Members:

Afghanistan, Islamic Ghana Cameroon Republic of Canada Greece Algeria China Haiti Angola Croatia Holy See Armenia Cuba Hungary Iceland Australia Cyprus Austria Czech Republic Indonesia

Bahrain Denmark Iran, Islamic Republic of

Bangladesh Egypt Iraq Belarus El Salvador Ireland Belgium Estonia Israel Benin Ethiopia Italy Bosnia and Herzegovina Finland Jordan Botswana France Kazakhstan

Bulgaria Georgia Korea, Republic of

Burkina Faso Germany Latvia

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LebanonNetherlandsSwedenLesothoNew ZealandSwitzerland

Liechtenstein Niger Syrian Arab Republic

Lithuania Nigeria Thailand

Luxembourg Norway The former Yugoslav Madagascar Oman Republic of Macedonia

Malaysia Pakistan Uganda Mali Palau Ukraine

MaltaPanamaUnited Arab EmiratesMarshall IslandsPhilippinesUnited Kingdom of GreatMauritania, IslamicPolandBritain and Northern Ireland

Republic of Portugal United Republic of

Mauritius Qatar Tanzania

Mexico Romania United States of America

MonacoRussian FederationUruguayMongoliaSaudi ArabiaVietnamMontenegroSerbiaZimbabwe

Morocco Singapore Mozambique Slovakia Myanmar Slovenia Namibia Sri Lanka

- 4. Various official communications, which do not constitute formal credentials under Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure have been received by the Secretariat. Copies of original credentials have been received for the delegates of the following 19 Members: Azerbaijan, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Gabon, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Jamaica, Japan, Kuwait, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Peru, Senegal, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Yemen. Communications in the form of notes, or letters or telefax copies emanating from Permanent Missions or other authorities have been received for the delegates of the following 20 Members: Albania, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Kenya, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Republic of Moldova, Seychelles, South Africa, Sudan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Zambia.
- 5. Reservations regarding the credentials of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya were expressed by Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).
- 6. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that the Committee had received a document (GC(55)/28) submitted by the Ambassador of Lebanon, Chairman of the Council of Arab Ambassadors, on behalf of the Arab States members of the IAEA participating in the work of the 55th session of the General Conference, concerning their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegation to the Conference. The Chairman also pointed out that the Committee had also received a document (GC(55)/29) submitted by the delegation of Israel which sets out its position with regard to the reservations expressed by the Ambassador of Lebanon on behalf of the Arab States members of the IAEA participating in the work of the 55th session of the General Conference.
- 7. Reservations regarding the credentials of Israel were expressed by Iran (Islamic Republic of) and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).
- 8. 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.

- 9. All reservations are fully reflected in the records of the Committee's meeting (GC(55)GEN/OR.2).
- 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 fifty-fifth regular session, which is set forth in document GC(55)/27."