Executive summary

Pursuant to Rule 13(1) of its Rules of Procedure, the General Assembly invited the Regional Commissions to nominate the members of the Credentials Committee.

The Committee met on 18 October 2023.

During the meeting, the Committee examined the credentials of representatives of Full Members present at the session and decided to accept as valid credentials, the full powers and official communications, including scanned copies, emanating from governments and indicating the composition of the delegations to the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

Action by the General Assembly

DRAFT RESOLUTION¹

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.

¹ This is a draft resolution. For the final resolution adopted by the Assembly, please refer to the Resolutions document issued at the end of the session.
I. Introduction

1. Pursuant to Rule 13(1) of its Rules of Procedure, the General Assembly, at its first technical meeting, invited the Regional Commissions to nominate the members of the Credentials Committee.

2. The following Full Members were appointed: Zambia and Democratic Republic of the Congo, (Regional Commission for Africa), Ecuador and Paraguay (Regional Commission for the Americas), Cambodia (Regional Commission for East Asia and the Pacific), Bhutan (Regional Commission for South Asia), Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan (Regional Commission for Europe), and Kuwait (Regional Commission for the Middle East).

II. Meeting of the Committee

3. The Committee met on 18 October 2023 in Samarkand, and elected Zambia to perform the function of Chair, and Paraguay perform the function of Vice-Chair, in accordance with Rule 13(2) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly.

4. The Committee accepted the credentials of the 117 delegations of Full Members indicated below:

   1. Albania
   2. Algeria
   3. Andorra
   4. Angola
   5. Argentina
   6. Armenia
   7. Austria
   8. Azerbaijan
   9. Bahamas
  10. Bahrain
  11. Bangladesh
  12. Belarus
  13. Bhutan
  14. Bosnia and Herzegovina
  15. Brazil
  16. Brunei Darussalam
  17. Bulgaria
  18. Burkina Faso
  19. Cabo Verde
  20. Cambodia
  21. Cameroon
  22. Chad
  23. Chile
  24. China
  25. Colombia
  26. Congo
  27. Costa Rica
  28. Croatia
  29. Cuba
  30. Cyprus
  31. Czech Republic (Czechia)
  32. Democratic Republic of the Congo
  33. Dominican Republic
  34. Ecuador
  35. Egypt
  36. El Salvador
  37. Equatorial Guinea
  38. France
  39. Gambia
  40. Georgia
  41. Germany
  42. Ghana
43. Greece
44. Guatemala
45. Haiti
46. Honduras
47. Hungary
48. India
49. Indonesia
50. Iran, Islamic Republic of
51. Iraq
52. Israel (for the first plenary session of the General Assembly)
53. Italy
54. Jamaica
55. Japan
56. Jordan
57. Kazakhstan
58. Kenya
59. Kuwait
60. Kyrgyzstan
61. Lebanon
62. Libya
63. Lithuania
64. Madagascar
65. Malaysia
66. Maldives
67. Mali
68. Malta
69. Mauritius
70. Mexico
71. Monaco
72. Morocco
73. Mozambique
74. Namibia
75. Netherlands
76. Nicaragua
77. Nigeria
78. Oman
79. Pakistan
80. Paraguay
81. Peru
82. Philippines
83. Poland
84. Portugal
85. Qatar
86. Republic of Korea
87. Republic of Moldova
88. Romania
89. Rwanda
90. San Marino
91. Saudi Arabia
92. Senegal
93. Seychelles
94. Sierra Leone
95. Slovakia
96. Slovenia
97. South Africa
98. Spain
99. Sri Lanka
100. Sudan
101. Switzerland
102. Tajikistan
103. Thailand
104. Tunisia
105. Turkmenistan
106. Türkiye
5. The Committee examined, and recognized as valid, the credentials of Flanders, Macao (China), Puerto Rico as Associate Members of the Organization.

6. The Committee also examined, and recognized as valid, the proxy letters from:
   - Côte d’Ivoire (to a member of delegation of Mauritius);
   - Israel (to a member of delegation of Spain for the second and third plenary sessions of the General Assembly).

7. The Committee agreed that the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee will examine and confirm whether any mandates for representation received after the meeting are valid in accordance with Resolution 649(XXI).

8. Furthermore, one additional proxy letter was received, however, it was found to be not compliant with Resolution 633(XX).

9. The Committee examined, and recognized as valid, the credentials of Greece, Türkiye and United Arab Emirates. In all three cases, the Committee noted that two sets of credentials were received. The Committee acknowledged the confirmation provided by the relevant authorities detailing the valid set of credentials.

10. The Committee reiterates its request to the UNWTO Secretariat to follow up with those Full Members which have not yet submitted the originals of their credentials so that they duly forward them to the UNWTO Secretariat at their earliest convenience, in accordance with the applicable rules.

11. The Committee recommends the Assembly to allow those Full Members that have not submitted their original credentials and that are represented by Ministers or Plenipotentiary Ambassadors to participate with full rights in the present session, and requests the Secretariat to follow up with them so that they submit valid credentials at their earliest convenience, according to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly.

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