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CONFERENCE

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First Report of the Credentials Committee

1. The Credentials Committee of the Thirty-sixth Session of the Conference held two meetings on 6 and 12 November 2009, to examine the credentials received. The Committee elected Mrs. Daniela Rotondaro (San Marino), as its Chairperson, and Mrs. María Eulalia Jiménez de Mochi (El Salvador), as its Vice-Chairperson.
2. The Credentials Committee noted that its work would also be taken into account in the context of the Arrangements for the World Summit on Food Security (WSFS 2009/INF/5-Rev.1). The Committee noted further the content of Rule III of the General Rules of the Organization on “delegations and credentials”, as well as the practice and criteria followed by the Organization with respect to the acceptance of credentials, in accordance with the practice of the General Assembly of the United Nations on the matter.
3. The Credentials Committee reviewed the credentials or information received regarding the composition of delegations shown in attached lists A and B.
4. The Committee noted that it had received two sets of credentials and information on the composition of delegations of Madagascar submitted by His Excellency Ambassador Jean Pierre Razafy-Adriamihaingo and by, or on behalf of, His Excellency Andry Nirina Rajoelina, “Président de la Transition” of the Republic of Madagascar. The Committee noted that, by Resolution 396 (V) of 14 December 1950, the General Assembly had recommended to the Specialized Agencies that “whenever more than one authority claims to be the Government entitled to represent a Member State and this question becomes the subject of controversy”, the Specialized Agencies should adopt the same attitude as the General Assembly of the United Nations. The Committee was informed that, on the basis of this resolution, long standing consistent practice of referring to the position of the General Assembly had been followed by the Conference whenever

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more than one authority claimed to be the Government entitled to represent a Member. The Committee noted that FAO had received communications from the United Nations secretariat confirming that a delegation of President Andry Nirina Rajoelina had participated in the Sixty-third Session of the General Assembly and had been participating in the current Sixty-fourth Session of the General Assembly, as the representative of Madagascar.

5. In view of the above, the Committee recommended to the Conference that the credentials and information submitted by, or on behalf of, His Excellency Andry Nirina Rajoelina, “Président de la Transition” of the Republic of Madagascar be accepted and that his delegates be authorized to participate in the Thirty-sixth Session of the Conference, as the representatives of Madagascar.

6. The Committee also recalled that, through Resolution 63/301 of 30 June 2009, the General Assembly of the United Nations decided that no Government of Honduras should be recognized other than the Government of President José Manuel Zelaya Rosales. Subsequent guidance and instructions were issued by the United Nations secretariat to the whole system advising all Specialized Agencies, Programmes and Funds to allow participation and access to meetings only to those representatives from Honduras who could formally confirm that they were the duly authorized representatives of President Zelaya’s Government.

7. The Committee was informed that the secretariat had received a communication from the Permanent Representation of Honduras regarding the composition of the delegation to the Conference, without specifying whether the delegation represented the Government of President Zelaya. The secretariat had therefore sought clarification from the Representation on this issue but had not received a reply. The Committee requested the secretariat to urgently contact the Representation again on this point. In addition, the Committee instructed the secretariat to inform the Representation that, unless the requested confirmation was received, the delegation would not participate in either the World Summit on Food Security or the Thirty-sixth Session of the Conference.

8. The Committee recommended to the Conference that the credentials or information on the composition of delegations on both lists be accepted, on the understanding that formal credentials of delegations referred to in list B would be communicated by the Members concerned to the Director-General as soon as possible, and that all delegations be authorized to participate fully in the Conference session. The lists reflect the situation as of mid-day on 13 November 2009.

9. The Committee recommended to the Conference that the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters, following such research and inter-agency consultation as might be required, should review again procedures for further streamlining the treatment of credentials to the Conference.

LIST A

List A includes Members and Associate Members whose credentials, in their original form, bear the signature, or are signed by, or on behalf of, the Head of State, the Head of Government, the Minister of Foreign Affairs or the Minister of the Department concerned. It also includes Members and Associate Members whose Ambassador, Chief of mission or Permanent Representative has submitted a communication, in original form, confirming explicitly that the delegation was designated upon instructions from the Government.

1. ARMENIA
2. AUSTRIA
3. AZERBAIJAN
4. BAHAMAS
5. BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
6. COSTA RICA
7. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
8. EL SALVADOR
9. ESTONIA
10. FINLAND
11. GAMBIA
12. GERMANY
13. HAITI
14. IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)
15. IRAQ
16. IRELAND
17. ISRAEL
18. NICARAGUA
19. NIGERIA
20. PHILIPPINES
21. SAN MARINO
22. SAUDI ARABIA
23. SENEGAL
24. SOMALIA
25. SRI LANKA
26. SWEDEN
27. SWITZERLAND

- 28. THAILAND
- 29. TUNISIA
- 30. TURKEY
- 31. UGANDA
- 32. UNITED KINGDOM

LIST B

List B includes Members and Associate Members which have submitted credentials or information on the composition of delegations in the form, *inter alia*, of an *Ordre de Mission* if specific mention is made of the current session of the Conference and if they are signed by the Minister concerned, a *Note Verbale*, a photocopy, an electronic copy or a facsimile of original credentials.

1. AFGHANISTAN
2. ALBANIA
3. ALGERIA
4. ANDORRA
5. ANGOLA
6. BAHRAIN
7. BARBADOS
8. BELIZE
9. BHUTAN
10. BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF)
11. BRAZIL
12. BURUNDI
13. CAMBODIA
14. CAMEROON
15. CANADA
16. CAPE VERDE
17. CHINA
18. COMOROS
19. CONGO
20. COTE D'IVOIRE
21. CROATIA
22. CYPRUS
23. DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA
24. DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO
25. DJIBOUTI

26. DOMINICA
27. ERITREA
28. FIJI
29. GHANA
30. GREECE
31. GUINEA
32. GUYANA
33. INDIA
34. JAPAN
35. KENYA
36. LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
37. LESOTHO
38. LITHUANIA
39. MADAGASCAR
40. MALDIVES
41. MALI
42. MAURITANIA
43. MAURITIUS
44. MONGOLIA
45. MOROCCO
46. MOZAMBIQUE
47. MYANMAR
48. NAMIBIA
49. NEPAL
50. NIGER
51. OMAN
52. PAKISTAN
53. PALAU
54. PANAMA
55. PARAGUAY
56. POLAND
57. PORTUGAL
58. QATAR
59. REPUBLIC OF KOREA

60. REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA
61. ROMANIA
62. SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS
63. SAINT LUCIA
64. SAMOA
65. SEYCHELLES
66. SIERRA LEONE
67. SLOVAKIA
68. SLOVENIA
69. SPAIN
70. SOUTH AFRICA
71. SWAZILAND
72. SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC
73. THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
74. TONGA
75. UGANDA
76. UKRAINE
77. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
78. UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
79. VIET NAM
80. YEMEN
81. ZAMBIA
82. ZIMBABWE