

**REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE ON THE CREDENTIALS  
OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION  
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES****1. Introduction**

The Credentials Committee, consisting of Chile, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Iraq, Kenya, Lithuania, Poland, Saudi Arabia, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland met under the leadership of its Chairperson, Mr Lester Antonio Ortega Lemus, Chargé d’Affaires of the Republic of Guatemala, on Monday, 28 November and Wednesday, 30 November 2022.

**2. Examination of credentials**

In accordance with Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”), the Credentials Committee examined the credentials submitted by States Parties wishing to participate in the Twenty-Seventh Session of the Conference and verified the following facts:

- (a) Originals of credentials in the form required by Rule 26 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference had been received from the following 98 States Parties:

Albania, Algeria, Angola, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, the Holy See, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malaysia, Mauritania, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, the State of Palestine, Sweden, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, and Yemen.



- (b) Faxes or copies of credentials in the form required by Rule 26 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference had been received from the following 40 States Parties:  
  
Andorra, Argentina, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Ghana, Honduras, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Malta, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Nepal, Nicaragua, Oman, Paraguay, Qatar, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, the Sudan, Togo, Turkmenistan, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.
- (c) Official communications had not been received from the following registered States Parties regarding their representation: Afghanistan, Benin, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, the Niger, and Senegal. Further requests to submit credentials were made to those States Parties by the Technical Secretariat.
- (d) Procedural concerns were raised regarding competing credentials presented by Myanmar.

### **3. Report and recommendations to the Conference**

- 3.1 Based on the foregoing, the Credentials Committee decided to report to the Conference that the credentials of the States Parties referred to in subparagraphs 2(a) and 2(b) above were in the form required by Rule 26 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference.
- 3.2 The Credentials Committee recommended that the Conference:
  - (a) accept outright the credentials of representatives of the States Parties listed in subparagraph 2(a) above;
  - (b) provisionally accept the credentials of representatives of the States Parties listed in subparagraph 2(b) above, pending submission of the original versions; and
  - (c) defer a decision on the credentials of Myanmar, thereby leaving the seat vacant for the Conference session.
- 3.3 The Credentials Committee adopted its report to the Conference and recommended that the Conference approve it.