



**REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE ON THE CREDENTIALS
OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES TO REVIEW THE OPERATION
OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION**

1. Introduction

The Credentials Committee, consisting of Colombia, Guatemala, Malaysia, Poland, Portugal, South Africa, the Sudan, Sweden, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, met under the leadership of its Chairperson, H.E. Mr Sheikh Mohammed Belal, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the OPCW, on Wednesday, 21 November 2018.

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 Fourth Special Session of the Conference of the States Parties to Review the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Fourth Review 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 112 States Parties:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Fiji, 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, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, the State of Palestine, the Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, the former



Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, and Zimbabwe.

- (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 35 States Parties:

Bangladesh, Belarus, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guyana, Honduras, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Oman, Paraguay, Qatar, Senegal, Solomon Islands, Suriname, Togo, Tonga, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, the United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, and Zambia.

- (c) Official communications had not been received from the following States Parties regarding their representation:

Comoros, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, the Gambia, Lebanon, Papua New Guinea, and Saint Kitts and Nevis. Further requests to submit credentials were made to those States Parties by the Technical Secretariat.

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.

The Credentials Committee recommended that the Fourth Review Conference:

- (a) accept outright the credentials of representatives of the States Parties listed in subparagraph 2(a) above; and
- (b) provisionally accept the credentials of representatives of the States Parties listed in subparagraph 2(b) above, pending submission of the original versions.

- 3.2 The Credentials Committee adopted its report to the Fourth Review Conference and recommended that the Fourth Review Conference approve it.

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