

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

The Credentials Committee—consisting of Greece, Honduras, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Poland, Romania, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland—met under the leadership of its Chairperson, H.E. Ambassador Mr Lawrence Lenayapa, Permanent Representative of Kenya to the OPCW, on Monday, 25 November 2019.

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-Fourth 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 103 States Parties:

Afghanistan, Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Georgia, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, the Holy See, Honduras, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, the State of Palestine, the Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), 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 45 States Parties:

Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Cambodia, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, El Salvador, Eswatini, the Gambia, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Malawi, Mauritius, Mongolia, Mozambique, Namibia, Paraguay, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Solomon Islands, Spain, Tajikistan, Togo, the United Republic of Tanzania, and Zambia.

- (c) Official communications had not been received from the following States Parties regarding their representation: the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Dominican Republic, Madagascar, Maldives, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Suriname, Viet Nam, and Zimbabwe. 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 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 Conference and recommended that the Conference approve it.