

Committee on Credentials

Report

1. The Committee on Credentials met on 22 May 2023. Delegates of the following Member States attended the meeting:

Algeria; Azerbaijan; Bulgaria; Croatia; Fiji; Guatemala; Guyana; Indonesia; Kuwait; Singapore; and Zambia.

2. The Committee elected the following officers:

- Mr Hakim Bouaziz (Algeria) – Chair;
- Ms Bevon McDonald (Guyana) – Vice Chair.

3. The Committee assessed whether the credentials delivered to the Director-General were in conformity with the requirements of Rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly. It noted that the Secretariat had found these credentials to be in conformity with the Rules of Procedure.

4. The credentials of the delegates of the Member States shown in the Annex were found to be in conformity with the Rules of Procedure. The Committee therefore proposes that the Health Assembly recognize their validity.

5. The Committee noted that the Secretariat had received two sets of documents from two different delegations, each asserting that it represents the Government of Myanmar at the Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly. Both delegations submitted documents in support of their registration for the Health Assembly. One set of documents was submitted on behalf of the Minister of Health of the State Administration Council. Another set of documents was submitted on behalf of the Minister of Health of the National Unity Government.

6. The Committee – noting United Nations General Assembly resolution 396(V) of 14 December 1950, its last three reports to the Health Assembly,¹ the decisions taken by the Health Assembly thereon² and the position taken on this matter by the United Nations General Assembly³ – acknowledged that the question of the representation of Myanmar is still pending before the United Nations General Assembly. The Committee therefore decided to recommend to the Health Assembly that it defer a decision on the question of the representation of Myanmar, pending guidance from the United Nations General Assembly, on the understanding that no one would represent Myanmar at the Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly.

¹ Reports to the Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly, document A74/56; to the Second special session of the World Health Assembly, document SSA2/4; and to the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly, document A75/59.

² Decisions WHA74(7) (2021), SSA2(4) (2021) and WHA75(6) (2022).

³ Reports of the Credentials Committee to the seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh sessions of the United Nations General Assembly, documents A/76/550 and A/77/600 respectively, and United Nations General Assembly resolutions 76/15 of 6 December 2021 and 77/239 of 16 December 2022, respectively.

ANNEX

Afghanistan; Albania; Algeria; Andorra; Angola; Antigua and Barbuda; Argentina; Armenia; Australia; Austria; Azerbaijan; Bahamas; Bahrain; Bangladesh; Barbados; Belarus; Belgium; Belize; Benin; Bhutan; Bolivia (Plurinational State of); Bosnia and Herzegovina; Botswana; Brazil; Brunei Darussalam; Bulgaria; Burkina Faso; Burundi; Cabo Verde; Cambodia; Cameroon; Canada; Central African Republic; Chad; Chile; China; Colombia; Comoros; Congo; Cook Islands; Costa Rica; Côte d'Ivoire; Croatia; Cuba; Cyprus; Czechia; Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Democratic Republic of the Congo; Denmark; Djibouti; Dominica; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; Egypt; El Salvador; Equatorial Guinea; Eritrea; Estonia; Eswatini; Ethiopia; Fiji; Finland; France; Gabon; Gambia; Georgia; Germany; Ghana; Greece; Grenada; Guatemala; Guinea; Guinea-Bissau; Guyana; Haiti; Honduras; Hungary; Iceland; India; Indonesia; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Iraq; Ireland; Israel; Italy; Jamaica; Japan; Jordan; Kazakhstan; Kenya; Kiribati; Kuwait; Kyrgyzstan; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Latvia; Lebanon; Lesotho; Liberia; Libya; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Madagascar; Malawi; Malaysia; Maldives; Mali; Malta; Marshall Islands; Mauritania; Mauritius; Mexico; Monaco; Mongolia; Montenegro; Morocco; Mozambique; Namibia; Nauru; Nepal; Netherlands (Kingdom of the); New Zealand; Nicaragua; Niger; Nigeria; North Macedonia; Norway; Oman; Pakistan; Palau; Panama; Papua New Guinea; Paraguay; Peru; Philippines; Poland; Portugal; Qatar; Republic of Korea; Republic of Moldova; Romania; Russian Federation; Rwanda; Saint Kitts and Nevis; Saint Lucia; Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; Samoa; San Marino; Saudi Arabia; Senegal; Serbia; Seychelles; Sierra Leone; Singapore; Slovakia; Slovenia; Solomon Islands; Somalia; South Africa; South Sudan; Spain; Sri Lanka; Sudan; Sweden; Switzerland; Syrian Arab Republic; Tajikistan; Thailand; Timor-Leste; Togo; Tonga; Trinidad and Tobago; Tunisia; Türkiye; Turkmenistan; Tuvalu; Uganda; Ukraine; United Arab Emirates; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; United Republic of Tanzania; United States of America; Uruguay; Uzbekistan; Vanuatu; Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of); Viet Nam; Yemen; Zambia; Zimbabwe.

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