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Committee on Credentials

Report

1. The Committee on Credentials met on 19 May 2026. Delegates of the following Member States attended the meeting:

Armenia, Bulgaria, Eswatini, Iceland, Mongolia, Oman, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Uruguay and Viet Nam.

2. The Committee elected the following officers:

- Mr Jamal Salim Al Shanfari (Oman) – Chair;
- Dr Sigríður Jakóbínudóttir (Iceland) – 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-ninth World Health Assembly. Both delegations submitted documents in support of their registration for the Health Assembly. The two sets of documents were signed by two different individuals, each claiming to be Myanmar's Union Minister for Health.

6. The Committee – noting the United Nations General Assembly resolution 396(V) of 14 December 1950, its last six reports to the Health Assembly,¹ the decisions taken by the Health Assembly thereon,² and the position taken on this matter by the United Nations General

¹ Documents A74/56, SSA2/4, A75/59, A76/49, A77/46 and A78/43.

² Decisions WHA74(7) (2021), SSA2(4) (2021), WHA75(6) (2022), WHA76(6) (2023), WHA77(6) (2024) and WHA78(6) (2025).

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-ninth session of the Health Assembly.

³ Documents A/76/550, A/77/600, A/78/605, A/79/613 and A/80/547, respectively, and United Nations General Assembly resolutions 76/15 of 6 December 2021, 77/239 of 16 December 2022, 78/124 of 18 December 2023, 79/132 of 6 December 2024 and 80/114 of 12 December 2025, respectively.

Annex

Afghanistan; Albania; Algeria; Andorra; Angola; Antigua and Barbuda; 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; Micronesia (Federated States of); 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; Sao Tome and Principe; Saudi Arabia; Senegal; Serbia; Seychelles; Sierra Leone; Singapore; Slovakia; Slovenia; Solomon Islands; Somalia; South Africa; South Sudan; Spain; Sri Lanka; Sudan; Suriname; 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; Uruguay; Uzbekistan; Vanuatu; Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of); Viet Nam; Yemen; Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Associate Member

Faroe Islands.
