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I. Introduction

1. In accordance with rule 19 of the draft rules of procedure of the Conference of the Parties¹ (COP) being applied, “the credentials of representatives as well as the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the secretariat if possible not later than twenty-four hours after the opening of the session. Any later change in the composition of the delegations shall also be submitted to the secretariat. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority of that organization”.

2. Furthermore, rule 20 of the draft rules of procedure being applied provides that “the Bureau of any session shall examine the credentials and submit its report to the Conference of the Parties”.

3. The secretariat wishes to remind Parties that, in accordance with decisions 17/CP.9, 36/CMP.1 and 2/CMA.1, a single set of credentials from Parties will apply for the participation of the Parties’ representatives in sessions of the COP, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) and that a single report on credentials will be submitted for approval, following established procedures, by the Bureau of the COP to the COP, to the CMP and to the CMA.

¹ FCCC/CP/1996/2.



4. The present report is submitted to the COP, to the CMP and to the CMA in the light of the foregoing.

II. Credentials of Parties to the twenty-sixth session of the Conference of the Parties, the sixteenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and the third session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

5. On 11 November 2021, the Bureau met to examine the credentials submitted by Parties to the Convention, Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and Parties to the Paris Agreement.

6. The Bureau had before it a memorandum dated 11 November 2021 from the Executive Secretary on the status of credentials of representatives participating in the sessions. The information in the memorandum is reflected below.

7. As at 11 November 2021, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority as provided for in rule 19 of the draft rules of procedure being applied and decisions 17/CP.9, 36/CMP.1 and 2/CMA.1 had been submitted for the representatives of 121 Parties participating in the sessions (see table 1).

Table 1
Parties having formally submitted credentials

Albania	Germany	Peru
Algeria	Greece	Philippines
Andorra	Grenada	Poland
Angola	Honduras	Portugal
Argentina	Iceland	Republic of Korea
Armenia	India	Republic of Moldova
Australia	Indonesia	Romania
Austria	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Russian Federation
Azerbaijan	Iraq	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Bangladesh	Ireland	Saint Lucia
Barbados	Italy	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Belarus	Jamaica	San Marino
Belgium	Japan	Saudi Arabia
Benin	Kenya	Senegal
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Kuwait	Serbia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Seychelles
Brazil	Latvia	Singapore
Brunei Darussalam	Liberia	Slovakia
Bulgaria	Liechtenstein	Slovenia
Burkina Faso	Lithuania	South Africa
Cabo Verde	Luxembourg	South Sudan
Cambodia	Madagascar	Spain
Chile	Malawi	Sri Lanka
China	Malaysia	Sweden

Colombia	Maldives	Switzerland
Croatia	Malta	Tajikistan
Cuba	Mauritius	Thailand
Cyprus	Mexico	Timor-Leste
Czechia	Monaco	Trinidad and Tobago
Denmark	Mongolia	Tunisia
Ecuador	Mozambique	Tuvalu
Egypt	Namibia	Ukraine
El Salvador	Netherlands	United Arab Emirates
Eswatini	New Zealand	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Ethiopia	Nicaragua	United States of America
European Union	North Macedonia	Uruguay
Fiji	Norway	Uzbekistan
Finland	Oman	Zambia
France	Panama	Zimbabwe
Gabon	Papua New Guinea	
Georgia	Paraguay	

8. Furthermore, as at 11 November 2021, the secretariat had received information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the sessions that had been communicated through the online registration system from 74 Parties (see table 2).

Table 2

Parties for whose representatives information has been received through the online registration system

Antigua and Barbuda	Ghana	Niue
Bahamas	Guatemala	Pakistan
Bahrain	Guinea	Palau
Belize	Guinea-Bissau	Qatar
Bhutan	Guyana	Rwanda
Botswana	Haiti	Samoa
Burundi	Hungary	Sao Tome and Principe
Cameroon	Israel	Sierra Leone
Canada	Jordan	Solomon Islands
Central African Republic	Kazakhstan	Somalia
Chad	Kiribati	State of Palestine
Comoros	Kyrgyzstan	Sudan
Congo	Lebanon	Suriname
Cook Islands	Lesotho	Syrian Arab Republic
Costa Rica	Libya	Togo
Côte d'Ivoire	Mali	Tonga
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Marshall Islands	Turkey
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Mauritania	Turkmenistan
Djibouti	Micronesia (Federated States of)	Uganda
Dominica	Montenegro	United Republic of Tanzania

Dominican Republic	Morocco	Vanuatu
Equatorial Guinea	Nauru	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Eritrea	Nepal	Viet Nam
Estonia	Niger	Yemen
Gambia	Nigeria	

9. Noting the above, the Bureau approved the credentials of representatives of all Parties listed in tables 1–2, on the understanding that formal credentials of representatives of the Parties referred to in paragraph 8 above would be submitted to the secretariat as soon as possible. The Bureau agreed to submit this report to the COP, to the CMP and to the CMA in accordance with rule 20 of the draft rules of procedure being applied. The Bureau also agreed to recommend to the COP, the CMP and the CMA that they accept the credentials of representatives of all Parties mentioned in this report, on the understanding that formal credentials of representatives of the Parties referred to in paragraph 8 above shall be submitted to the secretariat as soon as possible, in accordance with rule 21 of the draft rules of procedure being applied.

10. The Bureau decided to defer its consideration of the representation of Afghanistan and Myanmar.
