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### Credentials of representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly

#### Report of the Credentials Committee

*Chair:* Ms. Anna Karin **Eneström** (Sweden)

1. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 14 September 2021, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 28 of its rules of procedure, appointed a Credentials Committee for its seventy-sixth session consisting of the following Member States: Bahamas, Bhutan, Chile, China, Namibia, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Sweden and United States of America.

2. The Credentials Committee held one meeting on 1 December 2021.

3. The Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations, Anna Karin Eneström, was unanimously elected Chair.

4. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General dated 29 November 2021 concerning the credentials of representatives of Member States to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly. A representative of the Office of Legal Affairs made a statement in relation to the memorandum.

5. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum by the Secretary-General, as updated by the statement made by the representative of the Office of Legal Affairs, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs as required by rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly had been submitted by the following 86 Member States in respect of their representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly: Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Belarus, Belize, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Dominica, Ecuador, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, France, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Japan, Kuwait, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Spain, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, United Republic of Tanzania,



United States of America, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen and Zimbabwe.

6. As indicated in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, as updated by the statement made by the representative of the Office of Legal Affairs, information concerning the appointment of representatives of Member States to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly had been communicated to the Secretary-General by means of a copy of formal credentials signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or by means of a letter or note verbale from the Permanent Mission concerned, by the following 105 Member States: Albania, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Fiji, Finland, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, India, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Mozambique, Nauru, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, North Macedonia, Oman, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Philippines, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Turkey, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Viet Nam and Zambia.

7. The Committee had before it two communications concerning the representation of Myanmar at the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly, indicating different individuals as representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly. The first was dated 18 August 2021 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Myanmar. The second was dated 21 August 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Myanmar to the United Nations in New York.

8. The Committee had before it two communications concerning the representation of Afghanistan at the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly, indicating different individuals as representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the Assembly. The first was dated 14 September 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Afghanistan to the United Nations in New York. The second communication was dated 20 September 2021 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan.

9. The Chair proposed that the Committee defer its decision on the credentials pertaining to the representatives of Myanmar and on the credentials pertaining to the representatives of Afghanistan to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly. The proposal was adopted without a vote.

10. The Chair also proposed the following draft resolution for adoption by the Committee on the understanding that the formal credentials of the representatives of the Member States referred to in paragraph 6 of the present report would be communicated to the Secretary-General as soon as possible:

*The Credentials Committee,*

*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly,

*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives of the Member States referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General, as updated.

11. The draft resolution proposed by the Chair was adopted without a vote.
12. The representative of the United States of America dissociated from the adoption of the Committee's resolution, solely with respect to the acceptance of the credentials submitted by the Maduro representative on behalf of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.
13. The Chair then proposed that the Committee recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution entitled "Credentials of representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly" (see para. 15). The proposal was adopted without a vote.
14. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the General Assembly.

### **Recommendation of the Credentials Committee**

15. The Credentials Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### **Credentials of representatives to the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,

*Approves* the report of the Credentials Committee.<sup>1</sup>

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