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# Credentials of representatives to the seventh session of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority

### **Report of the Credentials Committee**

Chairman: Mrs. Norma Taylor Roberts (Jamaica)

- 1. At its 78th plenary meeting, on 5 July 2001, the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority appointed a Credentials Committee, consisting of the following nine members: Brazil, Greece, Jamaica, Japan, Myanmar, Norway, Senegal, Slovakia and South Africa.
- 2. The Credentials Committee held one meeting, on 5 July 2001, and elected Mrs. Norma Taylor Roberts (Jamaica) as its Chairman for the seventh session.
- 3. The Credentials Committee examined the credentials of the representatives participating in the current session of the Assembly. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat dated 5 July 2001 on the status of those credentials.
- 4. As noted in paragraph 1 of the memorandum, formal credentials issued by the head of State or Government, the Minister for Foreign Affairs or a person authorized by the Minister had been received by the Secretariat for the representatives of the following 50 States participating in the current session of the Assembly: Argentina, Australia, Bahamas, Belgium, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Egypt, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kuwait, Malta, Mexico, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, Sweden, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Yemen, Yugoslavia and Zambia.
- 5. As noted in paragraph 2 of the memorandum, information concerning the appointment of representatives participating in the current session of the Assembly had been communicated by means of facsimile or in the form of initialled notes verbales from ministries, embassies, permanent missions to the Authority, permanent missions to the United Nations or other government offices or authorities

by the following four States participating in the Assembly: Brazil, Greece, Honduras and Spain.

6. The Chairman proposed that the Committee accept the credentials of all representatives mentioned in the memorandum, on the understanding that formal credentials of representatives referred to in paragraph 2 of the memorandum would be communicated to the Secretariat as soon as possible. The following draft resolution was proposed by the Chairman for adoption by the Committee:

"The Credentials Committee,

"Having examined the credentials of the representatives to the seventh session of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the memorandum of the Secretariat dated 5 July 2001,

"Accepts the credentials of the representatives concerned."

- 7. The draft resolution was adopted by the Committee without a vote.
- 8. Subsequently, the Chairman proposed that the Committee recommend to the Assembly for adoption the draft resolution contained in paragraph 10 below. The proposal was adopted by the Committee without a vote.
- 9. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the Assembly.

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

10. The Credentials Committee recommends to the Assembly for adoption the following draft resolution:

## Decision of the Assembly relating to the credentials of representatives to the seventh session of the International Seabed Authority

"The Assembly of the International Seabed Authority

"Approves the report of the Credentials Committee."

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