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CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CONFERENCE

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairperson: Mr. O. Rhee Hetanang (Botswana)

1. Rule 4 of the rules of procedure of the Durban Review Conference provides that:

A Credentials Committee of nine members shall be appointed at the beginning of the Review Conference. Its composition shall be based on that of the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations at its sixty-third session. It shall examine the credentials of representatives and report to the Review Conference without delay.
2. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 20 April 2009, the Durban Review Conference, in accordance with rule 4 of its rules of procedure, appointed a Credentials Committee having the same Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, and the United States of America.
3. The Credentials Committee held one meeting, on 22 April 2009.
4. Mr. O. Rhee Hetanang (Botswana) was unanimously elected Chairperson.
5. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat of the Conference dated 22 April 2009 on the credentials of representatives of States and of the African Union and the European Community to the Conference. A representative of the Office of Legal Affairs of the

Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tajikistan, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, United States of America and Vanuatu.

9. The Committee decided to accept the credentials of the representatives of all States listed in the above-mentioned memorandum and the statement relating thereto and the African Union and the European Community, on the understanding that formal credentials for representatives of the States referred to in paragraphs 7 and 8 of the present report would be communicated to the Secretary-General of the Conference as soon as possible.

10. The Committee adopted the following draft resolution without a vote:

The Credentials Committee,

Having examined the credentials of the representatives to the Durban Review Conference referred to in the memorandum of the Secretariat of the Conference dated 22 April 2009,

Taking into account the statements made during the debate,

Accepts the credentials of the representatives of the States concerned, the African Union and of the European Community referred to in the above-mentioned memorandum.

11. The Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the Conference the adoption of a draft resolution (see para.13 below).

12. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the Conference.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

13. The Credentials Committee recommends to the Conference the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Credentials of representatives to the Durban Review Conference

The Durban Review Conference,

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

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.
