

Diplomatic Conference to Conclude an International Legal Instrument Relating to Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Traditional Knowledge Associated with Genetic Resources

Geneva, May 13 to 24, 2024

SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

prepared by the Secretariat

1. The Credentials Committee (Committee), which was established on May 13, 2024 by the Diplomatic Conference to Conclude an International Legal Instrument Relating to Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Traditional Knowledge Associated with Genetic Resources, met for the second time on May 20, 2024.
2. The Delegations of the following States, which were elected members of the Committee by the Diplomatic Conference, attended the meeting: Bangladesh, Chile, China, Japan, United Republic of Tanzania, Slovenia and Thailand (7).
3. Ms. Shanchita Haque (Bangladesh), who was elected President of the Committee by the Diplomatic Conference, presided over the meeting. The Vice-Presidents, elected by the Diplomatic Conference, were Ms. Xia Yu (China) and Ms. Loy Mhando (United Republic of Tanzania).
4. In accordance with Rule 9(1) of the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Conference on May 13, 2024 (document GRATK/DC/2), the Committee examined the credentials and full powers received since its first meeting on May 15, 2024, the report of which is contained in document GRATK/DC/5.
5. The Committee found in order the following documents received since its first meeting:
 - (a) as far as Member Delegations are concerned,

- (i) the credentials and full powers (that is, credentials for participating in the Conference and signing the Final Act of the Conference, and full powers to sign the International Legal Instrument to be adopted by the Diplomatic Conference) of the delegations of the following (6) States:

Bhutan
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
Central African Republic
Mali
Nigeria
Vanuatu

- (ii) the credentials without full powers to sign the International Legal Instrument (that is, credentials for participating in the Conference and signing the Final Act of the Conference) of the delegations of the following State:
Azerbaijan (1).

(b) as far as Observers are concerned, the letters or documents of appointment of representatives of the following non-governmental organization: Organization for an International Geographical Indications Network (ORIGIN) (1).

6. The Committee recommends to the Conference, meeting in Plenary, to accept the credentials and full powers of the delegations mentioned in paragraph 5 (a)(i) above, the credentials of the delegations mentioned in paragraph 5 (a)(ii) above, and the letters of appointment of the Observers mentioned in paragraph 5 (b) above.

7. The Committee decided that a report on its meeting should be prepared by the Secretariat and issued as its report, to be presented by the President of the Committee to the Conference, meeting in Plenary.

8. The Committee authorized its President to examine any further communications concerning Member Delegations, the Special Delegation, Observer Delegations or Observers that might be received by the Secretariat after the close of its second meeting, and to report thereon to the Conference, meeting in Plenary, unless the President deemed it necessary to convene the Committee to examine and report on those communications.

9. It is recalled that, to date, credentials and/or full powers have been submitted by the following Member and Special delegations and were found in order:

(a) the credentials and full powers (that is, credentials for participating in the Conference and signing the Final Act, and full powers to sign the International Legal Instrument to be adopted by the Diplomatic Conference) of the delegations of the following (44) States:

Algeria	Jamaica
Argentina	Kiribati
Bhutan	Kuwait
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Madagascar
Bosnia Herzegovina	Malawi
Brazil	Mali
Burkina Faso	Morocco
Central African Republic	Nicaragua
Chile	Niger
Congo	Nigeria
Cook Islands	Niue
Costa Rica	Paraguay

Côte d'Ivoire	Portugal
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Ecuador	Sierra Leone
Gambia	South Africa
Ghana	Spain
Greece	Togo
Guinea Bissau	Uganda
Ireland	United Kingdom
Israel	Uruguay
Italy	Vanuatu

(b) the credentials without full powers to sign the International Legal Instrument (that is, credentials for participating in the Conference and signing the Final Act) of the following (131) delegations:

Afghanistan	Luxembourg
Albania	Malaysia
Angola	Maldives
Antigua and Barbuda	Malta
Armenia	Marshall Islands
Australia	Mauritania
Austria	Mauritius
Azerbaijan	Mexico
Bahrain	Monaco
Bangladesh	Mongolia
Barbados	Montenegro
Belarus	Mozambique
Belgium	Namibia
Botswana	Nauru
Brunei Darussalam	Nepal
Bulgaria	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)
Burundi	New Zealand
Cabo Verde	North Macedonia
Cambodia	Norway
Cameroon	Oman
Canada	Pakistan
China	Panama
Colombia	Peru
Comoros	Philippines
Croatia	Poland
Cuba	Qatar
Cyprus	Republic of Korea
Czech Republic	Republic of Moldova
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Romania
Denmark	Russian Federation
Djibouti	Rwanda
Dominican Republic	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Egypt	Saint Lucia
El Salvador	Samoa
Estonia	Sao Tome and Principe
Eswatini	Saudi Arabia
Ethiopia	Senegal
Fiji	Serbia
Finland	Seychelles
France	Singapore

Gabon	Slovakia
Georgia	Slovenia
Germany	Solomon Islands
Grenada	Sri Lanka
Guatemala	Sudan
Guinea	Sweden
Guyana	Switzerland
Holy See	Syrian Arab Republic
Honduras	Tajikistan
Hungary	Thailand
India	Timor-Leste
Indonesia	Tonga
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Trinidad and Tobago
Iraq	Tunisia
Japan	Türkiye
Jordan	Turkmenistan
Kazakhstan	United Arab Emirates
Kenya	United Republic of Tanzania
Kyrgyzstan	United States of America
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Uzbekistan
Latvia	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Lebanon	Viet Nam
Lesotho	Yemen
Liberia	Zambia
Libya	Zimbabwe
Lithuania	

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