

Vienna, 17-18 September 2007

**CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE
CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF
THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY**

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairperson: Mr David Nelson, Canada

1. At its first plenary meeting, on 17 September 2007, the Conference, in accordance with rule 4 of its rules of procedure, established a Credentials Committee and appointed as members of the Committee the representatives of the following five States: Brazil, Burkina Faso, Canada, Spain and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
2. The Credentials Committee held its meeting on 18 September 2007.
3. Mr David Nelson, Canada was unanimously elected Chairperson of the Committee.
4. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat of the Conference, dated 18 September 2007, concerning the credentials of representatives of States to the Conference.
5. As noted in paragraph 1 of the Secretariat's memorandum and the statement of the legal officer relating thereto, formal credentials in the form required by rule 3 of the rules of procedure of the Conference had, as of the time of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, been received by the Secretariat, in respect of their representatives to the Conference, from the following 39 States that, prior to the opening of the Conference, had deposited their instruments of ratification of the Treaty: Albania, Algeria, Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, the Holy See, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Malta, Moldova, Morocco, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uzbekistan.
6. As noted in paragraph 2 of the Secretariat's memorandum, provisional credentials in the form of photocopies or facsimiles issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs had, as of the time of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, been received by the Secretariat from the following 11 States that, prior to the opening of the Conference, had deposited their instruments of ratification of the

Treaty: Belarus, Chile, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Jordan, Norway, Peru, Serbia, Turkey and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

7. As noted in paragraph 3 of the Secretariat's memorandum, information concerning the appointment of their representatives to the Conference had, as of the time of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, been communicated to the Secretariat by means of a letter or note verbale or a facsimile thereof from a Permanent Mission or government office, by the following 28 States that, prior to the opening of the Conference, had deposited their instruments of ratification of the Treaty: Andorra, Argentina, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Latvia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Paraguay, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, Uruguay and Zambia.
8. The Chairperson recommended that the Committee accept the credentials of the representatives of all of the States mentioned in paragraphs 5 to 7 above, on the understanding that formal credentials for representatives of the States referred to in paragraphs 6 and 7 would be communicated to the Secretariat as soon as possible.
9. On the proposal of the Chairperson, the Committee adopted the following draft resolution:

"The Credentials Committee,

Having examined the credentials of the representatives to the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty of the States referred to in paragraphs 5 to 7 of its report,

Accepts the credentials of the representatives of the States concerned."

10. The draft resolution proposed by the Chairperson was adopted without a vote.
11. The Chairperson then proposed that the Committee recommend to the plenary of the Conference the adoption of a draft resolution (see paragraph 13). The proposal was adopted without a vote.
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 on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"Credentials of representatives to the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty held in Vienna, Austria, from 17 to 18 September 2007

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty,

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

Adopts the report of the Credentials Committee.”