Diplomatic Conference to Conclude a Treaty to Facilitate Access to Published Works by Visually Impaired Persons and Persons with Print Disabilities

Marrakech, June 17 to 28, 2013

SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Prepared by the Secretariat

1. The Credentials Committee (hereinafter referred to as “the Committee”), established on June 18, 2013, by the Diplomatic Conference to conclude a Treaty to facilitate Access to Published Works by Visually Impaired Persons and Persons with Print Disabilities, met for the second time on June 21, 2013.

2. The Delegations of the following States, elected members of the Committee by the Diplomatic Conference, attended the meeting: Chile, China, Czech Republic, Georgia, Holy See, Mauritania, Republic of Korea (7).

3. The President of the Committee, elected by the Diplomatic Conference, was Mr. Andres Guggiana (Chile). The Vice-Presidents, elected by the Diplomatic Conference, were Ms. Deng Yuhua (China) and Mr. Shi-Hyeong Kim (Republic of Korea).

4. In accordance with Rule 9 (1) of the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Conference on June 18, 2013 (document VIP/DC/2, hereinafter referred to as “the Rules of Procedure”), the Committee examined the credentials and full powers received since its first meeting on June 19, 2013.
5. The Committee found in order:

(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 Treaty to be adopted by the Diplomatic Conference) of the delegations of the following (20) States:

- Brazil
- Cambodia
- Cameroon
- Comoros
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Democratic People's Republic of Korea
- Djibouti
- Dominican Republic
- Haiti
- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Luxembourg
- Mali
- Mongolia
- Namibia
- Nepal
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Sao Tome and Principe
- Uruguay

(ii) the credentials without full powers to sign the Treaty (that is, credentials for participating in the Conference and signing the Final Act of the Conference) of the delegations of the following (16) States:

- Angola
- Croatia
- Cuba
- Fiji
- Guatemala
- Honduras
- Lao People's Democratic Republic
- Mauritania
- Nicaragua
- Peru
- Romania
- Samoa
- Seychelles
- Sri Lanka
- Swaziland
- United States of America
(iii) The committee took note of the fact that the delegation of Austria expressed the wish that they appear in paragraph 7(a)(ii) of the first report of the Committee, instead of paragraph 7(a)(i).

(b) as far as Observers are concerned, the letters or documents of appointment of representatives of the following (5) non-governmental organizations:

Confédération française pour la promotion sociale des aveugles et des amblyopes (CFPSAA); Club for people with Special Needs Region of Preveza; Global Initiative for inclusive Information and Communication Technologies (G3ict); Ligue Braille au Maroc (LBM); International Association of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers (STM).

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 which 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 Treaty to be adopted by the Diplomatic Conference) of the delegations of the following (47) States:

   Bosnia and Herzegovina      Lebanon
   Brazil                      Luxembourg
   Burkina Faso                Mali
   Burundi                     Malta
   Cambodia                    Mauritius
   Cameroon                    Mongolia
   Central African Republic    Namibia
   Chad                        Nepal
   Chile                       Panama
   Colombia                    Paraguay
   Comoros                     Portugal
   Congo                       Republic of Moldova
   Costa Rica                  Sao Tome and Principe
   Côte d’Ivoire               Senegal
   Democratic People’s Republic of Korea  Sierra Leone
   Denmark                     Singapore
   Djibouti                    Spain
   Dominican Republic          Sudan
   Ghana                       Switzerland
   Guinea                      Togo
(b) the credentials without full powers to sign the Treaty (that is, credentials for participating in the Conference and signing the Final Act) of the following (101) delegations:

Afghanistan 
Albania 
Algeria 
Angola 
Argentina 
Armenia 
Australia 
Austria 
Azerbaijan 
Bangladesh 
Belarus 
Belgium 
Benin 
Bhutan 
Botswana 
Bulgaria 
Cameroon 
Canada 
China 
Croatia 
Cuba 
Cyprus 
Czech Republic 
Ecuador 
Egypt 
El Salvador 
Estonia 
Ethiopia 
European Union 
Fiji 
Finland 
France 
Gabon 
Gambia 
Georgia 
Germany 
Greece 
Guatemala 
Honduras 
Hungary 
India 
Indonesia 
Iran (Islamic Republic of) 
Iraq 
Ireland 
Israel 
Italy 

Latvia 
Lesotho 
Libya 
Lithuania 
Madagascar 
Malawi 
Malaysia 
Mauritania 
Mexico 
Montenegro 
Morocco 
Mozambique 
Myanmar 
Netherlands 
Nicaragua 
Nigeria 
Norway 
Oman 
Pakistan 
Papua New Guinea 
Peru 
Philippines 
Poland 
Republic of Korea 
Romania 
Russian Federation 
Saint Kitts and Nevis 
Samoa 
Serbia 
Seychelles 
Slovakia 
Slovenia 
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