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# 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*

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.

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).

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).

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.

The Committee found in order the following documents received since its first meeting:

(a) as far as Member Delegations are concerned,

1. 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:

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| Bhutan |
| Bolivia (Plurinational State of) |
| Central African Republic |
| Mali |
| Nigeria |
| Vanuatu |
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1. 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).
2. 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).
3. 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.
4. 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:

1. 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:

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| 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 |

1. 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:

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| 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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