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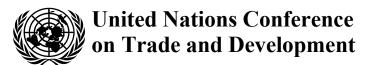
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1.   At its 287th plenary meeting, on 17 July 2016, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development appointed the Credentials Committee. Thwe membership of the Committee was as follows: Argentina, Austria, Barbados, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Kazakhstan, the Russian Federation, South Africa and the United States of America.

2.   The Credentials Committee met on 20 July 2016.

3.   Mr. Lizwi Nkombela (South Africa) chaired the meeting.

4.   The UNCTAD secretariat informed the Committee of the status of credentials of representatives as at 20 July 2016. Credentials issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs had been submitted by 93 States. The appointment of the representatives of 52 States had been communicated to the Secretary-General of UNCTAD by means of a letter, note verbale or facsimile from the Permanent Mission in Geneva or New York or the Embassy in Nairobi.

5.   The Chair proposed that the Committee accept the credentials of the representatives of the member States referred to in paragraph 4. In connection with the credentials that had not yet been submitted in due form, the Chair proposed that the Committee accept the assurances given by the representatives concerned, on the understanding that their credentials, in conformity with rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Conference, would be submitted promptly to the Secretary-General of UNCTAD. There was no objection to this proposal.

6.   The Chair then proposed that the Committee should recommend to the Conference the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"Credentials of Representatives to the Fourteenth Session of the Conference

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Approves the report of the Credentials Committee."

7.   The Committee endorsed the above proposal without a vote.

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