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1. At its 308th plenary meeting, on 20 October 2025, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development appointed the Credentials Committee. The full membership of the Committee was as follows: Andorra, Botswana, China, the Dominican Republic, Lesotho, Malaysia, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Russian Federation and Trinidad and Tobago.
2. The Credentials Committee met on 21 and 23 October 2025.
3. Ms. Konesoang Bereng (Lesotho) chaired the meeting.
4. The UNCTAD secretariat informed the Committee of the status of credentials of representatives as of 21 October 2025. Credentials issued by Heads of State or Government or by Ministers of Foreign Affairs had been submitted by 104 States. Additionally, the appointment of the representatives of 65 States had been communicated to the Secretary-General of UNCTAD by means of a note verbale from the corresponding permanent mission in Geneva or New York.
5. The Chair proposed that the Credentials Committee accept the credentials of the representatives of the member States that submitted credentials in accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Conference. 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 Credentials Committee of the sixteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development noted that it had received two sets of documents from two different delegations, each of which asserted that it represented the Government of Myanmar at the sixteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. The Committee, noting that UNCTAD is a subsidiary body of the General Assembly of the United Nations, decided not to take any action on those credentials pending guidance from the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations. The Committee thus did not accredit any delegation of Myanmar.
7. On 23 October 2025, the Committee met again and decided to accept the credentials of all member States that were presented to the UNCTAD secretariat.
8. The Committee agreed to recommend that the Conference approve the present report of the Credentials Committee.

