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ON INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS IN MOBILE
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EQUIPMENT**

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REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE TO THE CONFERENCE

(presented by the Chairperson of the Credentials Committee)

1. At its second meeting, held on 11 November 2019, the Conference established a Credentials Committee and postponed the decision as its composition to allow for consultations. At its second meeting in the afternoon of the same day, the delegations of Australia, France, Brazil, Côte d'Ivoire, Japan and Spain being invited to nominate members of this Committee. The Department of International Relations and Cooperation of South Africa was nominated as special adviser to the Committee.

2. On 11 November 2019, the first meeting of the Credentials Committee was held, with the Committee being composed as follows

Mr Gavin MCCOSKER	(Australia)
Mr Bruno CARVALHO ARRUDA	(Brazil)
Mr Koffi Rodrigue N'GUESSAN	(Côte d'Ivoire)
Mr Hirotsugu ISHIKAWA	(Japan)
Ms Teresa RODRIGUEZ DE LAS HERAS BALLELL	(Spain)
Ms Keke MOTSEPE	(South Africa)
Mr Luvuyo NDIMENI	(South Africa)

3. The delegate of Côte d'Ivoire, Koffi Rodrigue N'GUESSAN, was elected Chairman of the Committee.

4. The Credentials Committee met four times: on 11, 15, 18 and 21 November 2019.

5. At the third meeting of the Conference, held on 12 November 2019, the Chairperson of the Credentials Committee presented a preliminary report, informing the Conference that as of 5.30 p.m. on 11 November 2019, 39 States, one Regional Economic Integration Organisation, two intergovernmental Organisations, three international non-governmental Organisations and one technical adviser had registered for the Conference. Credentials in due and proper form had been

submitted by 22 States, one Regional Economic Integration Organisation, one intergovernmental Organisation and three international non-governmental organisations. Five States had at that time submitted Full Powers.

6. The Committee recommended to the Conference that, in conformity with Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure, all delegations registered be permitted to participate in the Conference pending receipt of their credentials in due and proper form; the Conference accepted this recommendation. The Committee nevertheless urged those delegations not having submitted credentials to do so as soon as possible

7. During the fourth meeting of the Conference, held on 15 November 2019, the Chairperson of the Credentials Committee presented a second preliminary report indicating that, following its second meeting held on the same day, two new States and one intergovernmental organisation had registered for the Conference since its last meeting. He added that, in addition to the credentials that had then been declared as having already been received in due form, eleven other States, two other intergovernmental organisations and a technical adviser had submitted credentials in due form. Two other States had submitted full powers.

8. At the fifth meeting of the Conference, held on 20 November 2019, the President of the Conference noted that other delegations may wish to present credentials and full powers before the signing of the Final Act of the Conference on 22 November 2019; in order to ensure that as many States as possible could sign the Final Act and the Protocol for those States having full powers, the President proposed and the Conference endorsed her recommendation that the credentials and full powers of other delegations could be verified until 9 a.m. on 22 November 2019.

9. The Credentials Committee held its fourth meeting on 21 November 2019. At that meeting, the Committee stated that a total of 41 States, one Regional Economic Integration Organisation, three intergovernmental organisations, four international non-governmental organisations and one technical adviser had registered for the Conference. The Committee declared that the credentials of the delegations of the following 34 States were received in due form:

Argentine Republic, the	Italy, the Republic of
Australia	Japan
Benin, the Republic of	Mexico (the United Mexican States)
Brazil, the Federative Republic of	Namibia, the Republic of
Canada	Paraguay, the Republic of
Chile, the Republic of	Poland, the Republic of
China, the People's Republic of	Republic of Korea, the
Congo, the Republic of the	South Africa, the Republic of
Côte d'Ivoire, the Republic of	Spain, the Kingdom of
Democratic Republic of the Congo, the	Sri Lanka, the Democratic Socialist
Finland, the Republic of	Republic of
French Republic, the	Syrian Arab Republic, the
Gambia, the Republic of the	Turkey, the Republic of
Germany, the Federal Republic of	United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ghana, the Republic of	Northern Ireland, the
Hellenic Republic, the	United States of America, the
Holy See	Uruguay, the Eastern Republic of
Ireland	Uzbekistan

10. The credentials of the delegation of one regional economic integration Organisation, the European Union, were found to be in due and proper form.

11. The following seven States participated as observers:

Cameroon	Russian Federation
Egypt	Switzerland
Indonesia	United Arab Emirates
Pakistan	

12. In addition, the following three intergovernmental organisations were represented by observers who had submitted credentials in due and proper form:

Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF)
World Bank Group
World Customs Organization (WCO)

13. The following four international non-governmental organisations and the technical adviser were represented by observers who had submitted credentials in due and proper form:

Aviation Working Group (AWG)
MAC Working Group
Rail Working Group (RWG)
Kozolchyk National Law Center (NatLaw)
Aviareto, Registrar of the International Registry under the Aircraft Protocol

14. The Credentials Committee noted that, as at 21 November 2019, the delegations of the following nine States had deposited their full powers to sign the instrument to be adopted by the Conference:

Benin	Republic of Congo
Côte d'Ivoire	Spain
Gambia	Turkey
Namibia	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Paraguay	

15. These Full Powers were found to be in due and proper form.