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EXAMINATION OF DELEGATES' CREDENTIALS

Report of the General Committee

1. At its second meeting, on 2 October 1997, the General Committee examined the credentials of delegates to the session, as provided for in Rule 28 of the Conference's Rules of Procedure.
2. At the outset, the Chairman of the Committee mentioned Rules 27, 28 and 29 of the Rules of Procedure, and read out the following points of Rule 27 regarding credentials for the General Conference:
 - (a) Credentials designate the delegate of a Member State to a given session of the General Conference;
 - (b) They are submitted to the Director General; and
 - (c) They are issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs.
3. The Chairman of the Committee then announced that credentials satisfying the requirements of Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure had been submitted to the Director General for the delegates of the following 88^{1/} Members:

^{1/} Subsequently, the credentials of the delegates of PARAGUAY, SAUDI ARABIA and the UNITED ARAB EMIRATES were submitted to the Director General.

Albania	Liechtenstein
Argentina	Lithuania
Armenia	Luxembourg
Australia	Madagascar
Austria	Malaysia
Bangladesh	Malta
Belarus	Monaco
Belgium	Mongolia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Morocco
Bulgaria	Myanmar
Canada	Netherlands
China	New Zealand
Colombia	Nicaragua
Costa Rica	Nigeria
Croatia	Norway
Cuba	Pakistan
Cyprus	Peru
Czech Republic	Poland
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Portugal
Denmark	Romania
Ecuador	Russian Federation
Estonia	Singapore
Ethiopia	Slovakia
Finland	Slovenia
France	South Africa
Georgia	Spain
Germany	Sri Lanka
Ghana	Sudan
Greece	Sweden
Holy See	Switzerland
Hungary	Syrian Arab Republic
Iceland	Thailand
India	The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Indonesia	Tunisia
Iran, Islamic Republic of	Turkey
Iraq	Ukraine
Ireland	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Israel	United Republic of Tanzania
Japan	United States of America
Jordan	Venezuela
Kazakhstan	Viet Nam
Korea, Republic of	Yemen
Kuwait	Zimbabwe
Latvia	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	

4. The Chairman of the Committee announced further that various official communications in the form of telefax copies of original credentials, notes or letters from Permanent Missions or other authorities received by the Secretariat with respect to the status of delegates of the following 25 Members did not constitute formal credentials under Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure:

Afghanistan	Namibia
Algeria	Niger
Bolivia	Panama
Brazil	Paraguay ²
Chile	Philippines
Egypt	Qatar
Guatemala	Saudi Arabia ²
Italy	Uganda
Kenya	United Arab Emirates ²
Lebanon	Uruguay
Liberia	Uzbekistan
Mali	Zambia
Mexico	

5. The Chairman of the Committee drew then the attention of the Committee to document GC(41)/29 containing reservations by Saudi Arabia on behalf of the members of the League of Arab States participating in this Conference's session about the credentials of the Israeli delegate. He proposed that the Committee take note of those reservations and that they be fully reflected in the Committee's report to the Conference and in the records of the meeting.

6. Further, the Chairman proposed that, in accordance with past practice, those delegates for whom proper credentials had not been received should be allowed to participate in the work of the Conference on the understanding that they would submit credentials in due form as soon as possible, preferably before the end of the current session of the Conference.

^{2/} See previous footnote.

7. Finally, the Chairman read the following draft of a resolution:

"Examination of delegates' credentials

The General Conference

Accepts the report by the General Committee on its examination of the credentials of delegates to the Conference's forty-first regular session which is set forth in document GC(41)/.....".

8. The Committee agreed to recommend that the Conference adopt the draft resolution contained in paragraph 7.



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STATEMENT OF ARAB DELEGATIONS CONCERNING THEIR RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE CREDENTIALS SUBMITTED BY THE ISRAELI DELEGATION TO THE FORTY-FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE IAEA GENERAL CONFERENCE IN VIENNA

Sir,

We enclose herewith the statement of the delegations of Arab States whose signatures are on the attached list and which are participating in the forty-first regular session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency being held in Vienna from 29 September to 3 October 1997 concerning their reservations about the credentials of the Israeli delegation of the General Conference with the request that it be included in the Conference's report and be treated as an official document of the Conference.

The Chairman of the
Credentials Committee,
General Conference
of the IAEA

(signed)

Essa Al-Nowaiser
Ambassador of the Kingdom of
Saudi Arabia
Dean of the Arab Diplomatic Corps

Statement of Arab delegations concerning their reservations about
the credentials submitted by the Israeli delegation to the
forty-first regular session of the IAEA General Conference
in Vienna

Mr. Chairman.

The undersigned delegations of the Arab States, members of the League of Arab States participating in this Conference, wish to express their reservations about the credentials submitted by the Israeli delegation for the following reasons:

- (1) Israel has annexed the city of Jerusalem, regarding it as its capital in spite of the relevant United Nations resolutions and in particular Security Council resolutions 252, 267, 271, 298, 465, 476 and 478 adopted in various years and General Assembly resolution E 169/35 of 15 December 1980, which considered all administrative and legal measures taken after the occupation of the city of Jerusalem null and void and unlawful, and in which the General Assembly called upon all States and specialized agencies and other international organizations to disregard any measure contravening the provisions of that resolution. You will notice that, in spite of the provisions of the above-mentioned resolution, the credentials submitted by the delegation of Israel have been issued from occupied Jerusalem;
- (2) Israeli has annexed the Syrian Arab Golan area and refused to implement the Security Council and General Assembly resolutions relating to the annulment of the annexation measures. It continues to occupy part of South Lebanon and Western Beqaa, and to refuse to apply Security Council resolution 425 on this subject.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

**Names of Arab States signing the Statement concerning their reservations
about the credentials of the Israeli delegation to the forty-first regular
session of the IAEA General Conference held in Vienna
from 29 September to 3 October 1997**

Kingdom of Morocco

Sudan

Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

Qatar

Jordan

United Arab Emirates

Syrian Arab Republic

Republic of Yemen

Iraq

Tunisia

Lebanon

Kuwait

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Algeria