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**MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL
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**FCTC/MOP/3/2
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Credentials of participants

Report by the Convention Secretariat

Purpose of the document

The present document contains the review by the Bureau of the credentials of the participants of the Third session of the Meeting of the Parties (MOP) to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, in accordance with Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the MOP.

Action by the Meeting of the Parties

The MOP is invited to note the present report and accept the credentials of Parties contained in the annex to the report.

Contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): All SDGs; in particular SDG 3 and Target 3.a, as well as SDGs 16 and 17.

Link to Workplan and Budget item: None.

Additional financial implications if not included in the Workplan and Budget: None.

Related document(s): Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products.

BACKGROUND

1. The Bureau elected by the Second session of the Meeting of the Parties (MOP) to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products met on 28 November 2023 to examine the credentials submitted to the Convention Secretariat in accordance with Rule 18 and Rule 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the MOP.
2. The credentials of the representatives of the Parties listed in the attached annex were found to be in conformity with the Rules of Procedure of the MOP. It is therefore proposed that the MOP accept the credentials of those Parties.
3. The credentials accepted by the MOP for the *de minimis* virtual session of the Third session of the MOP (MOP3) will remain valid for the resumed MOP3, which will be convened in person at a later date. Parties not among those listed in the decision of the MOP adopting credentials for the *de minimis* virtual session of MOP3 shall submit credentials in accordance with Rule 18 for the resumed MOP3.¹

ACTION BY THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES

4. The MOP is invited to note the present report and accept the credentials of Parties contained in the annex to the report.

¹ Information on registration and credentials for the *de minimis* virtual session of MOP3 and the resumed MOP3 is contained in document FCTC/MOP/3/18, subject to adoption by the MOP.

ANNEX

Austria, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Czechia, Ecuador, Egypt, Eswatini, European Union, Fiji, France, Gabon, Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Kenya, Kuwait, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Mongolia, Montenegro, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Slovakia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Togo, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay.

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