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Chairman: Mr. Karl WOLF (Austria)

- 1. The Credentials Committee held its 8th meeting on 14 September 1978. Representatives of all the members of the Committee except Chad and Japan were present.
- 2. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Executive Secretary of the Conference, dated 13 September 1978, indicating that as of that date communications had been received concerning 127 States participating in the session.
- 3. For the purposes of the resumed seventh session, credentials in the form provided for by rule 3 of the rules of procedure had been submitted to the Executive Secretary by the following 80 States: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Barbados, Belgium, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Egypt El Salvador, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Guyana, Holy See, Honduras, Iceland, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Mauritania, Mongolia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Seychelles, Singapore, Spain, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Sweden, Syria, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Cameroon, United States, Viet Nam and Yemen.
- 4. The following 19 States had submitted credentials which remained valid for the seventh session in Geneva, and the resumed seventh session in New York: Angola, Bahamas, Botswana, Cape Verde, China, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea-Bissau, India, Kuwait, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Portugal, Somalia, Suriname, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Yugoslavia and Zaire.

<sup>\*</sup> Including A/CONF.62/68/Corr.1.

- 5. The appointment of the representatives of the following 28 countries had been communicated to the Executive Secretary by letters, cables or notes verbales: Afghanistan, Austria, Benin, Burundi, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Guatemala, Hungary, Jamaica, Kenya, Lebanon, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritius, Mozambique, Norway, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Uganda, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay and Venezuela.
- 6. The delegations of Lao People's Democratic Republic, Maldives and Seychelles had signed the Register of the Conference in accordance with rule 40 of the rules of procedure.
- 7. The Executive Secretary informed the Committee that, subsequent to the preparation of his memorandum, credentials in due form had been received from San Marino and letters had been received from Nepal and Paraguay.
- 8. The Chairman proposed that, in the light of past practice, the Committee should accept the credentials referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 above and that, as an exceptional measure and subject to later validation, it accept the communications referred to in paragraph 5 above in lieu of formal credentials.
- 9. The Committee unanimously adopted the Chairman's proposal and recommended to the Conference the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"Credentials of representatives to the resumed seventh session of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea

"The Conference

"Approves the report of the Credentials Committee."