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EXAMINATION OF CREDENTIALS

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Note by the Credentials Committee

Summary:	The Credentials Committee has examined the credentials of delegations of 1992 Fund Member States, including States members of the 1992 Fund Executive Committee and Member States of the Supplementary Fund, and submits the following report.
Action to be taken:	<p><u>1992 Fund Administrative Council</u>^{<1>}</p> <p>(a) Take note of the report of the Credentials Committee; and</p> <p>(b) Decide whether to endorse the recommendations by the Credentials Committee on amendments made to credentials submitted before the deadline, as set out in paragraphs 2.6 and 2.7.</p> <p><u>1992 Fund Executive Committee and Supplementary Fund Assembly</u></p> <p>(a) Take note of the report of the Credentials Committee; and</p> <p>(b) Take note of the decision of the 1992 Fund Administrative Council in respect of the amendments made to credentials submitted before the deadline.</p>

1 Introduction

- 1.1 In accordance with Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure of the 1992 Fund Assembly and of the Supplementary Fund Assembly and Rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the 1992 Fund Executive Committee, the 1992 Fund Assembly appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following five members and their representatives:

Canada (Ms Caitlin O'Boyle)

Latvia (Ms Ilona Lipše)

Marshall Islands (Mr Diego Ramírez)

Namibia (Mr Pinehas Auene)

United Arab Emirates (Mr Mohamed Khamis Saeed Alkaabi)

- 1.2 The Credentials Committee met in person on 29 and 30 April 2025 under the chairship of Mr Pinehas Auene.

<1> From this point forward, references to the '1992 Fund Administrative Council' should be taken to read the '1992 Fund Administrative Council, acting on behalf of the 1992 Fund Assembly'.

- 1.3 The Credentials Committee presents this report in accordance with Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure of the 1992 Fund Assembly.

2 Examination of credentials

- 2.1 The Credentials Committee based its deliberations on Rules 9 and 11 of the Rules of Procedure of the 1992 Fund Assembly and on the guidelines given in IOPC Funds' circular [IOPC/2023/Circ.6](#).
- 2.2 The credentials of delegations of 52 Member States of the 1992 Fund, including States members of the 1992 Fund Executive Committee and of the Supplementary Fund, were examined and found to be in order:

1992 Fund Executive Committee Members

Antigua and Barbuda	Madagascar	Portugal
France	Marshall Islands	Republic of Korea
India	Namibia	Singapore
Italy	Netherlands	Uruguay
Japan	Norway	

Other 1992 Fund Member States

Algeria	Finland	Russian Federation
Argentina	Georgia	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Australia	Germany	San Marino
Belgium	Ghana	South Africa
Bulgaria	Greece	Spain
Cameroon	Jamaica	Sweden
Canada	Kenya	Thailand
China ^{<2>}	Latvia	Trinidad and Tobago
Colombia	Malaysia	Türkiye
Cyprus	Malta	United Arab Emirates
Denmark	Morocco	United Kingdom
Dominican Republic	Nigeria	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Ecuador	Panama	

- 2.3 At the time of preparing this report, the Credentials Committee noted that the credentials of one of the Member States which had been submitted before the deadline of 22 April 2025 were not in order.
- 2.4 At the time of preparing this report, the Credentials Committee noted that nine Member States had submitted credentials after the deadline of 22 April 2025. These credentials were not accepted for examination.
- 2.5 The following 1992 Fund Member States did not present credentials for the 25th session of the 1992 Fund Administrative Council, the 84th session of the 1992 Fund Executive Committee or the 13th extraordinary session of the Supplementary Fund Assembly:

^{<2>} The 1992 Fund Convention applies to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region only.

Albania	Guinea	Palau
Bahrain	Guinea-Bissau	Papua New Guinea
Barbados	Guyana	Qatar
Belize	Hungary	Saint Lucia
Benin	Iceland	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Brunei Darussalam	Ireland	Samoa
Cabo Verde	Israel	Serbia
Cambodia	Kiribati	Seychelles
Comoros	Lithuania	Sierra Leone
Congo	Luxembourg	Slovakia
Cook Islands	Maldives	Slovenia
Costa Rica	Mauritania	Sri Lanka
Croatia	Mauritius	Switzerland
Djibouti	Monaco	Syrian Arab Republic
Dominica	Montenegro	Tonga
Estonia	Mozambique	Tunisia
Fiji	Nauru	Tuvalu
Gabon	New Zealand	United Republic of Tanzania
Gambia	Nicaragua	Vanuatu
Grenada	Niue	

- 2.6 The Credentials Committee expresses its appreciation to Member States for the timely submission of their credentials. The Credentials Committee notes that, on some occasions, delegations may need to introduce amendments to credentials that were submitted before the deadline. The Credentials Committee wishes to recommend that such amendments be accepted provided they are received in advance of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, on the first day of the sessions.
- 2.7 The Credentials Committee also wishes to recommend adopting this approach as an established practice for the issuance and submission of credentials. The Credentials Committee further proposes that this practice be formally incorporated in the new circular on credentials and notifications for the IOPC Funds' meetings, which will be issued following the presentation of document IOPC/APR25/1/3.
- 2.8 The Credentials Committee would also like to encourage Member States to follow the guidelines set out in the circular on credentials and notifications for the IOPC Funds' meetings, which will be issued following the presentation of document IOPC/APR25/1/3.

3 Action to be taken

3.1 1992 Fund Administrative Council

The 1992 Fund Administrative Council is invited:

- (a) to take note of the report of the Credentials Committee; and
- (b) to decide whether to endorse the recommendations by the Credentials Committee on amendments made to credentials submitted before the deadline, as set out in paragraphs 2.6 and 2.7.

3.2 1992 Fund Executive Committee and Supplementary Fund Assembly

The 1992 Fund Executive Committee and the Supplementary Fund Assembly are invited:

- (a) to take note of the report of the Credentials Committee; and
 - (b) to take note of the decision of the 1992 Fund Administrative Council in respect of the amendments made to credentials submitted before the deadline.
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