Second Session of the Assembly of SIDS DOCK

UN Headquarters, ECOSOC Chamber

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**Report of the**

**Credentials Committee**

1. In accordance with Rule 25 of the draft Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, the Assembly appointed a Credentials Committee consisting of the following four members:

* Bahamas - Mrs. Tishka Fraser Francis
* Saint Vincent and the Grenadines - Ms. Marsena Ballantyne
* Seychelles - Ms. Wendy Guilian Isnard
* Tuvalu - Mrs. Sunema Simati

1. The Credentials Committee met on Friday, 23 September 2016 and elected Mrs. Tishka Fraser Francis of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas as Chairperson.
2. The Committee examined the credentials submitted to the Interim Secretariat in accordance with Rule 24 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly in respect of the representatives attending the second session of the Assembly. The Credentials Committee had before it the information provided by the Interim Secretariat on the status of the credentials received as at that date.
3. The Committee determined that, as of 24 September 2016, the Members listed below had submitted credentials in the form required by Rule 24 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly. Those delegations that did not submit credentials but are represented by the competent authority were deemed to conform to the requirement.
4. The Committee recommends to the Assembly that the following Members are entitled to participate in its second session:
5. Bahamas
6. Belize
7. Dominica
8. Grenada
9. Palau
10. St. Vincent and the Grenadines
11. Samoa
12. Seychelles
13. Tuvalu
14. The Credentials Committee noted that a number of delegations attending the second session of the Assembly had not submitted any credentials. The Committee recalled the importance of submitting credentials in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly and called on delegations to conform to this requirement at forthcoming sessions of the Assembly.
15. The Committee authorised the Chair to update its report orally when presenting it to the Assembly so as to reflect any additional credentials received by the Interim Secretariat subsequent to the meeting of the Credentials Committee.