REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

1 A Credentials Committee was established at the opening of the Conference in accordance with rule 4 of the Conference Rules of Procedure. It was composed of representatives of the following Governments:

BANGLADESH
BELGIUM
CZECHOSLOVAKIA
GHANA
HONDURAS

2 The Committee met on 7 and 9 March 1988 and the following representatives participated:

Bangladesh  - Captain M.A. Hoque
Belgium      - Monsieur D. Flore
Czechoslovakia - Mr. V. Seferna
Ghana        - Mr. W.K. Ansa-Otu
Honduras     - Capitan de Navio P.E. Banegas Chavez

Mr. W.K. Anso-Otu (Ghana) was unanimously elected Chairman.

3 The credentials of delegations of the following 76 States, issued in accordance with rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure, were examined by the Committee:
ALGERIA
ARGENTINA
AUSTRALIA
AUSTRIA
BAHAMAS
BANGLADESH
BELGIUM
BOLIVIA
BRAZIL
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM
BULGARIA
BYELORUSSIAN SSR
CANADA
CHILE
CHINA
COLOMBIA
COSTA RICA
CYPRUS
CZECHOSLOVAKIA
DENMARK
ECUADOR
EGYPT
FINLAND
FRANCE
GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
GHANA
GREECE
HAITI
HONDURAS
HUNGARY
INDIA
INDONESIA
IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)
IRAQ
IRELAND
ISRAEL
ITALY
JAPAN
JORDAN
KENYA
KUWAIT
LEBANON
LIBERIA
LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRYA
MALAYSIA
MALTA
MEXICO
MOROCCO
NETHERLANDS
NEW ZEALAND
NICARAGUA
NIGERIA
NORWAY
PERU
PHILIPPINES
POLAND
PORTUGAL
REPUBLIC OF KOREA
SAUDI ARABIA
SOMALIA
SPAIN
4 Communications by telex were received in respect of the delegations of Bangladesh, India and Peru. The Credentials Committee agreed to accept these in the light of the assurances given by these delegations that the signed credentials would be sent to the Secretary-General in proper form in due course. The Credentials Committee therefore approved the credentials of all the delegations listed in paragraph 3 above.

5 During the discussion of the credentials of the delegation of the Republic of Chile, the representative of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic declared the generally-known position expressed at the last session of the General Assembly of the United Nations in October 1987.

6 The following delegations are attending the Conference in the capacity of observers:

CUBA
GUINEA
HOLY SEE
PANAMA
QATAR
TUNISIA

7 The Credentials Committee presents this report to the Conference in accordance with rule 4 of the Conference Rules of Procedure.