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(Submitted by the Secretary of the IPCC)



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This background note is prepared in relation to the replacement of a member of the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (hereafter referred to as the 'Task Force Bureau' or 'TFB') for the Sixth Assessment cycle (IPCC-LII/Doc.6).

In accordance with Rule 5 of Appendix C to the Principles Governing IPCC Work, the "Procedures for the Election of the IPCC Bureau and Any Task Force Bureau" (hereafter referred to as the 'Election Procedures')¹, the Panel will establish a Credentials Committee immediately after the completion of the opening formalities and for the duration of the Session at which elections are being held. The Committee shall comprise one member appointed by each Region. The Committee shall appoint a Chair from among its members. A representative of the Secretariat shall attend the Credentials Committee with a consultative status. This Committee shall examine the credentials of delegates, which are submitted to it by the Secretariat. It shall report as soon as possible to the Panel and thereafter as required. Final decisions regarding credentials shall rest with the Panel.

Valid credentials are defined in Rule 4 of the Election Procedures, which determines that the credentials of delegates shall be submitted to the Secretariat prior to or during a Session at which elections will take place. Any later change in the composition of the delegation shall be submitted to the Secretariat. The credentials shall be signed by, or on behalf of, an appropriate government authority of the Member of the IPCC and shall be regarded as appropriate credentials for the participation of the individuals named therein in all activities of the Session.

Members of the IPCC are grouped according to the six WMO Regions as reflected in Annex A to the Elections Procedures.

In accordance with Rule 23 (a) of the Election Procedures all Regions are encouraged to meet before and/or as early as possible during the Panel Session with a view to designate the representative of the Region to the Credential Committee.

The Credentials Committee will report to the Panel on the credentials received for its Fifty-Second Session as soon as possible, and thereafter as required, no later than immediately before the elections will start.

Additional background documents are also available on voting procedures and practices for elections (IPCC-LII/INF. 8), conflict of interest (IPCC-LII/INF. 9) and nominations (IPCC-LII/INF. 10) related matters.

¹ Election Procedures.