**Credentials**

Delegations of Parties to the Convention are reminded about the requirement to submit credentials to the secretariat at the beginning of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties. To facilitate the process of verification, delegates, whether participating remotely (online) or in person, should submit advance copies of credentials, through the Geneva-based permanent missions, to the secretariat via email ([ece-teia.conv@un.org)](mailto:ece-teia.conv@un.org)) by 27 November 2020. The original credentials should be submitted by post or hand, through the Geneva-based permanent missions, to the secretariat by the start of the meeting on 7 December 2020 at 10:00, to the following address:

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8-14 avenue de la Paix

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If prevented from delivering the original credentials due to exceptional circumstances, they should be delivered as soon as feasible. Credentials are to be issued by Heads of State or Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs and shall state that the respective delegation is empowered to participate in the meeting and take decisions on behalf of the respective Government, following the applicable rules of procedure.

Rules 16 to 18 of the Rules of Procedure provide additional information on credentials.

An example of a delegation’s credentials is provided below:

**Credentials**

I, [*name and title of the Head of State, Head of Government or Minister for Foreign Affairs*],

HEREBY AUTHORISE [*name and title of one or more persons]* to represent the Government of *[name of State*] at the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents, to be held in Geneva, from 7 to 9 December 2020.

Done at [*place*] on [*date*].

[*Signature*]