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Convening of the twenty-ninth Meeting of States Parties

The Secretary-General of the United Nations communicates the following, pursuant to rule 5 (Notification) of the Rules of Procedure for Meetings of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4):

The twenty-ninth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held in New York from 17 to 19 June 2019, in conformity with paragraph 55 of General Assembly resolution 73/124 of 11 December 2018. The provisional agenda of the Meeting is contained in document SPLOS/29/L.1 available through the Official Document System of the United Nations (<http://documents.un.org>).

Parties

The attention of the States Parties to the Convention is drawn to rule 13 of the Rules of Procedure (Submission of credentials). In this regard, the Secretary-General wishes to remind that original credentials of representatives should be transmitted to the Secretariat (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, room DC2 0450, United Nations, New York, NY 10017), duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs or any person authorized by either of them. It would be appreciated if the credentials of States Parties were transmitted to the Secretariat as soon as possible. In this connection, attention is drawn to the understanding reached by the twenty-third Meeting of States Parties (see SPLOS/263, paragraph 101), according to which, in keeping with rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure, Meetings of States Parties can be adjourned and resumed as required and would terminate when the next Meeting of States Parties is convened. Therefore, it is expected that the credentials will be valid for the period from 17 to 19 June 2019 and, to the extent practicable, also thereafter until the convening of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties.

Observers

Pursuant to rule 17 of the Rules of Procedure (Accreditation of observers), observers referred to in rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure (Observers) are invited to transmit to the Secretariat the names of the representatives who will form part of their delegation, as soon as possible and preferably no later than 18 June 2019.

Documents

Documents concerning the current and past Meetings can be found at ods.un.org as well as at www.un.org/Depts/los/meeting_states_parties/meeting_states_parties.htm as soon as they are published.

