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The attention of the States Parties to the Convention is drawn to rule [illegible] of the Rules of Procedure (*Submission of credentials*). In this regard, the Secretary-General recalls that the [illegible] Law of the Sea would come [illegible] to be valid until the convening of the twenty-ninth meeting, in accordance with rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure (see SPLOS/323 and SPLOS/324, para. 12).

States Parties that have not submitted credentials of representatives to the [illegible] ting of States Parties to the Convention, or that may [illegible] to update those credentials, are kindly requested to submit original credentials to the Secretariat (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations, New York, NY 10017), duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs or another person authorized by [illegible]. States Parties are also welcome to submit, if they have not already provided [illegible] information concerning the appointment of their representatives to the Secretariat as soon as possible (for a list of States Parties see paragraph [illegible] of document SPLOS/INF/1).