

Reference: ICC-ASP/R19/SP/04

The Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties presents its compliments to States Parties and with reference to its note verbale ICC-ASP/R19/S/01 of 11 January 2021, regarding the second resumption of the nineteenth session of the Assembly, to be held at the United Nations in New York on 8 February 2021, has the honour to inform that States Parties do not need to submit new credentials for the second resumption as the credentials submitted for the first resumption, which took place from 18 to 23 December 2020, would remain valid. However, if the head of delegation of a State Party at the second resumption of the nineteenth session is different from the head of delegation to the first resumption, then a separate set of credentials would be required for the second resumption. The Secretariat notes that the absence of credentials may affect the right to vote of the State Party concerned.

In case a new set of credentials may be necessary, pursuant to rule 24 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, the credentials should be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or by a person authorized by either of them. Changes to the names of the alternates and advisers should be communicated in writing to the Secretariat of the Assembly by the representative of the State.

Credentials should, preferably, contain the name of the representative of the State, as well as the names of the alternates and advisers, for the second resumption of the nineteenth session. The credentials should be submitted in an official language of the Assembly of States Parties. Given the measures associated with the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, only one representative per State will be allowed to attend the session.

An electronic copy or the original credentials should be sent to the Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties by 5 February 2021, Room A.00.49, Oude Waalsdorperweg 10, 2597 AK, The Hague, the Netherlands. Copies may also be sent via fax to +31-70-515-8376 or via e-mail to asp@icc-cpi.int.

As of 8 February 2021, original credentials for the second resumption of the nineteenth session should no longer be sent to The Hague, but delivered directly to the Secretariat of the Assembly at the beginning of the session in New York and if possible, not later than 24 hours after the commencement of the session.

Additional information regarding credentials and registration for the second resumption of the nineteenth session is available on the website of the Court (http://www.icc-cpi.int).

The Hague, 18 January 2021

