



**REPRÉSENTATION PERMANENTE
DE LA FRANCE AUPRÈS DE
L'AUTORITÉ INTERNATIONALE
DES FONDS MARINS**

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5 January 2021

Excellencies,

I wish to refer to letters of the President of the 25th session of the Assembly dated 5, 12, 16 October 2020, as well as my letters dated 3, 9, 10, 13 November and 14 December 2020, concerning the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority.

I wish further to recall that, in my letter dated 13 November 2020, I informed that the relevant proposals concerning "Appointment of the Credentials Committee" were considered adopted by the Assembly, and accordingly Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Lesotho, South Africa and Spain have been appointed as members of the Credentials Committee for the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly. In the same letter, I further informed that, in view of the pending nominations, the appointment of the remaining seats on the Credentials Committee will be conducted soon after I receive information on the nominations by the Group of Asia-Pacific States.

I have the privilege of informing that I have received, through the Secretariat, the nominations of Myanmar and Sri Lanka by the Group of Asia-Pacific States for the remaining two seats on the Credentials Committee for the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly.

Therefore, I propose that Myanmar and Sri Lanka be appointed as members of the Credentials Committee for the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly.

To that end, **the proposal to appoint Myanmar as a member of the Credentials Committee and the proposal to appoint Sri Lanka as a member of the Credentials Committee, for the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly, are placed under the silence procedure until 5:00pm on Friday, 8 January 2021 (Jamaica time).**

Any objection to the above proposal(s) should be transmitted in a letter or a note verbale addressed to me, with a clear indication of the proposal(s) which the objection(s) refer(s) to. Such correspondence should be sent by email to secretary-general@isa.org.jm (cc to assembly@isa.org.jm).

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ambassador Denys Wibaux
President of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority



To: All members of the International Seabed Authority