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**President of the Council of
the International Seabed Authority**

10 December 2020

Excellencies,

I wish to refer to my letters dated 5, 20 and 23 October 2020, 10 and 16 November 2020 and 7 December 2020 and to the Decision of 23 October of the Council concerning the organization of work for the second part of the twenty-sixth session of the Council and to the schedule and modalities concerning such an organization of work.

Further to my letter dated 7 December 2020, transmitting the "Draft decision of the Council of the International Seabed Authority relating to an application for approval of a plan of work for exploration for polymetallic nodules by Blue Minerals Jamaica Ltd." as contained in ISBA/26/C/L.5 which was placed under silence procedure until 5 pm Jamaica time on 10 December 2020, it is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objections.

Accordingly, the draft decision as contained in the document ISBA/26/C/L.5 is considered adopted by the Council of the International Seabed Authority and is in effect from 5:01 pm Thursday 10 December 2020.

The Council will take note of this decision at its first face-to-face meeting.

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

President of the Council of the International Seabed Authority
Rear Admiral (Retd.) Md Khurshed Alam