



INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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The Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority presents his compliments to the members of the Authority and has the honour to refer to the decision of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority dated 20 November 2020 concerning the schedule and modalities of the organization of work for the twenty-sixth session of the Assembly.

The Secretary-General further wishes to recall members of the Authority that in line with the decision of the Assembly of 20 November 2020, the Assembly will be invited under agenda item 9, to take note of the Report of the Secretary-General on implementing a programmatic approach to capacity development for the Authority and adopt the draft decision annexed to it (See [ISBA/26/A/7](#)); and under agenda item 12, to consider for adoption, the action plan of the Authority in support of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development ([ISBA/26/A/4](#)). In these respects, and to allow an exchange of views among members of the Authority, the members of the Assembly are invited to submit written statements in respect to the above-mentioned two reports to the Secretariat of the Authority at secretary-general@isa.org.jm.

All statements should be received not later than 9 December 2020, 5pm Kingston time. All statements will be made available on the website of the Authority in the dedicated webpage of the 26th session.

The Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the members of the Authority the assurances of his highest consideration.

3 December 2020

All members of the International Seabed Authority