



**Statement by
the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia
at the 21st Session of the International Seabed Authority**

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Mr. President,
Mr. Secretary General,
Distinguished fellow delegates,
Ladies and gentlemen.

Since this is the first time Indonesia took the floor, allow me to congratulate you, Mr. President, for your election as well as the members of the bureau. We believe that the 23rd Session of the ISA will be a fruitful session under your leadership.

We also would like to take this opportunity to thank Government of Jamaica for its warm hospitality extended to us and further, congratulate the Government of Jamaica and its people, "Happy National Day!"

Mr. President,

Indonesia would also like to thank the Secretary General and his team for the excellent work in providing collection of laws, regulations and administrative measures relating to deep seabed mining and related matters, submitted by member countries.

In this regard, Indonesia would like to inform that it is currently in the process of formulating the national regulation regarding the maritime activities related to the beyond national jurisdiction, including activities related to the Area.

This on going work covers various inter-related aspects, not merely maritime ones, but also issues such as environment, business contract, investment, etc., which consequently also involves more constructive discussion among the national stakeholders.

As part of sharing best practice, Indonesia also learns from the various legal instruments regarding the deep seabed mining and administrative measures which have been submitted by other member countries to the Secretariat, and found them are various in models of arrangement.

In this regard, Indonesia would like to propose to this Meeting that the Council to request the Legal and Technical Commission to draft a model law which will serve as guidance for the Member countries in establishing their national legislation relating to deep seabed mining and related matters.

Indonesia believes that this proposal will be fruitful for all members of ISA and strengthen the role of ISA as a regulatory body to the deep seabed mining activities.

Thank you