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Economic and Technical Sub-Committee

DRAFT REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL
SUB-COMMITTEE

(PART II)

The following are additional paragraphs to be inserted in
document A/AC.138/SC.2/6/Add.1 and Add.2 as indicated:

162. Insert after second sentence:

On 21 August, Admiral Langeraar, Chairman of the IOC, addressed the
Sub-Committee, elaborating on the draft outline and clarifying several issues
raised by delegations.

The next sentence should start as follows:

In its deliberations the Sub-Committee took also into account...

107A. In this context it was also recalled that initially the proposal for a
long-term programme of oceanic research to be organized under the aegis of a
broadened IOC had been proposed by the Secretary-General in his report on
Marine Science and Technology following the adoption by the General Assembly of
resolution 2172 (XXI). This explains why the expanded programme is comprehensive
in scope and not limited to the sea-bed and the ocean floor.

107B. It has been pointed out that the long-term programme is scientific in
nature, and hence immediate economic benefits should not be expected. However,
the programme will offer the scientific basis necessary to evaluate potential
resources and discover new resources.

114A. It was remarked that all studies and activities relating to the better understanding and use of the sea-bed régime a full and unreserved implementation of the principle of international co-operation. In this respect universality should be the goal in order to ensure that this new area be developed for the benefit of all mankind.

114B. It was further observed that the complex and important task lying ahead does not only call for universal co-operation but in addition for systematic information: information flowing from the obligation to inform and not as an act of courtesy. In this context it was also stated that freedom of research would only serve mankind as a whole if its results were systematically made known to the international community.

114C. It was also emphasized that developing countries which do not possess the technical knowhow to participate in the exploitation of sea-bed resources and also lack the scientific training to take part in the exploration of the area should benefit from such international co-operation. The necessary programmes should therefore be provided so that all countries which so desire can train their own experts.

121A. It was also suggested to inform the Main Committee, in the form of a recommendation, of the agreement reached in this Sub-Committee on the desirability of establishing in due course appropriate international machinery to promote the exploitation of the resources of the area in the interest of all mankind.

125A. It has also been suggested to dissociate the system of Registry from the system of licensing so as to use the first one for the exploration stage while the second one would apply to the exploitation of mineral resources.
