



## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS **GOVERNMENT OF THE** PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH **DHAKA**

President of the Council of the International Seabed Authority

21 December 2020

## Excellencies,

Further to my letter dated 15 December 2020, transmitting the "Draft decision of the Council of the International Seabed Authority relating to the budget of the Authority for the financial period 2021–2022" as contained in ISBA/26/C/CRP.2 which was placed under silence procedure until 5 pm Jamaica time on 18 December 2020, I regret to convey that the silence has been broken.

It is my intent to consult with the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority to address this matter urgently.

Later today, I will convey the outcome of the consultation by a letter addressed to the Members of the Council.

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

President of the Council of the International Seabed Authority

Rear Admiral (Retd.) Md Khurshed Alam