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

16 November 2020

Excellencies,

I wish to refer to the decision of the Council of the International Seabed Authority of 23 October 2020 concerning the organization of work and to my letter dated 10 November proposing a schedule and modalities for the implementation of that decision.


Further to that letter dated 10 November 2020, transmitting a proposed schedule and modalities concerning the organization of work for the second part of the twenty-sixth session of the Council which was placed under silence procedure until 5 pm Jamaica time on 13 November 2020, it is my pleasure to convey that the silence procedure has concluded without objections.

The schedule and modalities concerning the organization of work as proposed in my letter dated 10 November 2020 are therefore considered adopted by the Council and are in effect from 5:01 on Friday 13 November 2020. The Council will take note of this decision at its first face-to-face meeting.

Accordingly, I kindly invite the Council to proceed, under item 20 on its agenda, with the candidate list for the election of the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority to recommend to the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority pursuant to article 162 (2) (b) of the United Nations Convention for the Law of the Sea. For that purpose, I propose that the draft decision of the Council of the International Seabed Authority concerning the candidate for the election of the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority which is contained in the enclosed document ISBA/26/C/L.3 be deemed adopted if no objections are received by 5 pm Jamaica time on 19 November 2020. Objections to the draft decision should be done in a letter or a note verbale addressed to the President of the Council. Such correspondence should be sent in an email to Council2020@isa.org.jm

If I hear no objection to the above proposal by 5 pm Jamaica time on 19 November 2020, I will circulate the outcome of the silence procedure concerning the recommendation of the candidate list for the election of the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority 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

Enclosure: ISBA/26/C/L.3