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Decision of the Assembly relating to the official seal, flag and emblem of the International Seabed Authority

The Assembly of the International Seabed Authority,

Recognizing that it is desirable to approve a distinctive flag and emblem of the International Seabed Authority and to authorize the use of such distinctive emblem for the official seal of the Authority,

Considering that it is necessary to protect the name of the Authority and its distinctive flag, emblem and official seal,

1. *Resolves* therefore that the designs reproduced in part I of the annex to the present decision shall be the emblem and distinctive design of the International Seabed Authority and shall be used for the official seal of the Authority;

2. *Resolves also* that the flag of the International Seabed Authority shall be the distinctive emblem reproduced in part II of the annex, centred on a dark blue background;

3. *Directs* the Secretary-General to draw up regulations concerning the dimensions and proportions of the flag;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to adopt a flag code, having in mind the desirability of a regulated use of the flag and the protection of its dignity;

5. *Recommends:*

(a) That members of the International Seabed Authority should take such legislative or other appropriate measures as may be necessary to provide for the protection of the emblem, the official seal and the name of the International Seabed Authority, and of abbreviations of that name through the use of its initial letters in order to prevent their use without authorization by the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority, and in particular for commercial purposes by means of trade marks or commercial labels;

(b) That such measures should take effect as soon as practicable but in any event not later than the expiration of two years from the date of adoption of the present resolution;

(c) That each member of the International Seabed Authority, pending the putting into effect within its territory of any such measures, should use its best endeavours to provide for the protection of the emblem, name or initials of the International Seabed Authority, in order to prevent any use without authorization by the Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority, and in particular for commercial purposes by means of trade marks or commercial labels.

*84th meeting
14 August 2002*

Annex

Part I



Part II

