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Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Council of the International Seabed Authority is invited to note that Andrés Sebastián Rojas (Argentina), member of the Legal and Technical Commission, resigned on 17 May 2018. Mr. Rojas had been elected a member of the Commission on 22 July 2016 (see [ISBA/22/C/29](#)) for a term of five years beginning 1 January 2017.
2. In accordance with article 163, paragraph 7, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and rule 80, paragraph 3, of the rules of procedure of the Council, in the event of the death, incapacity or resignation of a member of the Commission prior to the expiration of his or her term of office, the Council shall elect for the remainder of the term a member from the same geographical region or area of interest.
3. Article 163, paragraph 3, of the Convention and rule 81 of the rules of procedure of the Council provide that members of the Commission shall have appropriate qualifications in the area of competence of the Commission and that States parties shall nominate candidates of the highest standards of competence and integrity with qualifications in the relevant fields so as to ensure the effective exercise of the functions of the Commission.
4. By a note verbale dated 1 June 2018, the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the International Seabed Authority informed the secretariat of the Authority of the nomination of Martín Mainero, Counsellor in the Office of the Legal Adviser of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Argentina, as a candidate to fill the vacant seat on the Commission. The curriculum vitae of Mr. Mainero is contained in the annex to the present note.



Annex

Curriculum vitae*

Martín Mainero (Argentina)

Date of birth 3 September 1976

Education

2005–2006 Instituto del Servicio Exterior de la Nación (Diplomatic Academy of the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

1996–2003 University of Buenos Aires. Law Degree. Specialization in Public International Law

Job experience

2018– Counsellor. Office of the Legal Adviser. Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2012–2018 Head of the Political Section. Argentine Embassy in Mexico

2007–2012 Third Secretary. Office of the Legal Adviser. Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Academic activities

2009–2010 Assistant Professor. Course of Public International Law
Master in International Relations. University of El Salvador

2008–2009 Assistant Professor. Course of International Criminal Law
Master in International Relations. University of Buenos Aires

Languages spoken

Spanish, English, French and Portuguese

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.