

1 October 2020

Excellencies,

I wish to refer to my letters dated 2, 21, 24 and 28 September 2020 regarding the second part of the twenty-sixth session of the Council of the International Seabed Authority.

Further to my letter dated 28 September 2020, transmitting a proposal that Rear Admiral Alam, Bangladesh, be deemed elected as President of the Council of the International Seabed Authority, which was placed under silence procedure pursuant to the decision of 24 September of the Council until 5 p.m. Jamaican time on 1 October 2020, it is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objections.

Accordingly, Rear Admiral Alam is deemed elected by the Council of the International Seabed Authority as from 5:01 p.m. Jamaican time today, Thursday, 1 October 2020 and consequently the Council has disposed of item 3 on its agenda. I would like to warmly congratulate Rear Admiral Alam on his election and wish him a successful session of the Council.

The Council will take note of this decision at its first face-to-face meeting.

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

Dr. Kathy-Ann Brown

Acting President of the Council of the International Seabed Authority

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