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Biographical Note

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OLAV MYKLEBUST (NORWAY) PRESIDENT OF SEABED ASSEMBLY FOR 2005

Olav Myklebust, who was elected President of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority at its eleventh session on Monday 15 August 2005, is a career diplomat with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway. He is Deputy Director General and Head of Section for Treaty Law and Law of the Sea, of the Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway.

From 2002-2005, he was Assistant Director General, International Law Section, Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway. He served as adviser in the International Law Section from 2001 to 2002.

Other positions he has held in his diplomatic career include First Secretary of the Permanent Delegation of Norway to North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Brussels from 1998 to 2001. From 1995-1998, he was Second Secretary at the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Iceland.

From 1993-1995, Mr. Myklebust was Executive Officer at the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Before he joined the Foreign Service, he was a journalist, working as a sub-editor on the regional newspapers Fremtiden, Drammen and Bergensavisen, Bergen, Norway.

Mr. Myklebust holds a Master of Law (Candidatus juris) degree from the University of Bergen, Norway (1993). He joined the Norwegian Foreign Service as a career diplomat the same year.

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