

Concluding Remarks by Bangladesh

Mr. President,

We appreciate your leadership, and under your guidance, we have certainly made a significant progress. We also like to thank the facilitators of the informal working groups and the intersessional working groups in developing the final texts.

Bangladesh welcomes the concept of a consolidated text for the 29th Session and appreciates the proposed working modalities, including the option to propose a single or joint proposal for future work by December 10th.

As we conclude the Twenty-Eighth Session of the Council of the International Seabed Authority, representing Bangladesh, I would like to express our appreciation for the productive discussions and collaborative efforts that have taken place during these deliberations. Bangladesh places great importance on the responsible and sustainable exploration of seabed resources, in line with the principles of equity and environmental stewardship. We are committed to working with all member states to ensure that the goals and objectives of the Authority are met, promoting the shared vision of a prosperous and harmonious global ocean community. Let us continue to strive for a future where the treasures of the deep seabed benefit all of humanity while safeguarding the health of our oceans.

We also take this opportunity to thank the Secretary-General, the Secretariat, and the host country, Jamaica.

Thank you.