

DOSI intervention #1 Informal Working Group on the Protection and Preservation of the Marine

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Thank you Madam Facilitator. Since this is the first time DOSI takes the floor, we would like to congratulate you on the progress made in this Working Group.

DOSI would like to support PEW fully on this regulation. Regarding GHG, there is indisputable scientific evidence on the impact of GHG emissions on oceans, including warming, deoxygenation and ocean acidification and more generally the role of the ocean in climate regulation. We believe that a reference to greenhouse gas emissions as part of the pollution control provisions in the regulations is therefore essential. We also agree with many delegations who support the retention of the reference to underwater noise considering the impacts of noise on marine species, as demonstrated by the robust scientific evidence.

Thank you.

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