

DOSI intervention regarding item 11: Draft Regulations on exploitation of mineral resources in the Area

DR 58 - Review of a Plan of Work

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Thank you Mr President,

As this is the first time that the Deep Ocean Stewardship Initiative (DOSI) takes the floor in this session, we thank you for your leadership in guiding us in this process, and thank the Secretariat and Jamaica for welcoming us.

With regards to the triggering events listed for DR58 para 1, DOSI supports paragraph 1(a) bis Alt that reflect on new information about environmental impacts. For paragraph 1(a)ter, we recommend replacing “cumulative effects **of** Exploitation activities” with “cumulative effects **related to** Exploitation activities”, and we recommend adding, “environmental change and, if applicable, other industries”. These edits would clarify that cumulative effects may be caused by Exploitation activities, and cumulative effects can potentially change in combination with other effects from environmental change, including climate change, and from other existing industries. Regarding DR58 paragraph 2, DOSI supports the inclusion of independent experts as outlined by Costa Rica. We furthermore recommend that multiple independent experts from different scientific and technical disciplines should be involved in each review, especially in support of paragraph 1(a) bis, to ensure the Best Available Techniques and Best Available Scientific Information is applied.

Thank you Mr President