

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

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Thank you, Mr President.

DOSI also supports the re-inclusion of paragraph 3 (f) Alt 2, as recommended by other delegations, as environmental baseline and monitoring data should not be considered confidential, to allow for transparent review to ensure effective protection of the marine environment. If not retained, DOSI also supports the view of other delegations that paragraph 3 (f) Alt is preferred to 3 (f). DOSI believes it should be the Commission who agrees and determines that there are bona fide academic reasons for delaying the release of information related to the protection and preservation of the Marine Environment. We consider that it is a technical decision, and therefore, must be taken by a technical body.

Thank you, Mr President.