

Report of the Interim Director-General of the Enterprise (ISBA/30/A/5-ISBA/30/C/8) - Item 15 – Delivered by Patricia Esquete on 14/07/2025

Thank you, Mr President

DOSI thanks the Interim Director-General for his thorough report.

As pointed out in the report, one of the interim Director-General's functions, as per the 1994 Agreement, is the Assessment of the results of the conduct of marine scientific research with respect to activities in the Area, with particular emphasis on research related to the environmental impact of activities in the Area. DOSI notes the Africa Group's intervention on this mandate of the interim Director-General and is also interested to learn about the scientific expertise that will be brought to this role to conduct this function. DOSI is available for any discussions that may be helpful in assisting the Interim Director-General to fulfil this function in this regard.

Thank you