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#### **Report of the Secretary-General**

##### **Addendum**

1. This addendum is issued in line with the requirement of step 3 of the three-step process developed by the Legal and Technical Commission for the identification of contractors that have responded insufficiently or incompletely, or failed to respond, to the calls from the Council to address issues identified by the Legal and Technical Commission in relation to their contractual obligations.<sup>1</sup> The report should be read in conjunction with ISBA/30/C/2 and ISBA/30/C/2/add.1 which cover the reporting periods from 24 January 2025 to 31 May 2025 on the activity of contractors.
2. During the second part of its thirtieth session, in line with the agreed procedure, the Legal and Technical Commission determined that the following contractors: (i) UK Seabed Resources Ltd (UKSR) I and II; (ii) Marawa Research and Exploration Ltd; (iii) Cook Islands Investment Corporation, require continued attention regarding their performance and alignment with their contractual obligations. Further details are reflected in the Report of the Chair of the Legal and Technical Commission on the work of the Commission at the second part of its thirtieth session.<sup>2</sup>
3. The Council is invited to take note of the present report.

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<sup>1</sup> Appendix 1 to ISBA/29/LTC/5.

<sup>2</sup> ISBA/30/C/4/Add.1.