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The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations presents its compliments to Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and has the honour to refer to the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The Office of Legal Affairs is pleased to transmit, attached herewith a letter, dated 14 August 2020, from the President of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties addressed to the Permanent Representatives to the United Nations of States Parties to the Convention, concerning the outcome of consultations on three draft decisions, entitled "*Adoption of the agenda*"; "*Election of Vice-Presidents*"; and "*Appointment of the Credentials Committee*".

The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea the assurances of its highest consideration.


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Le Bureau des affaires juridiques de l'Organisation des Nations Unies présente ses compliments aux missions permanentes des États parties à la Convention des Nations Unies sur le droit de la mer auprès de l'Organisation et a l'honneur de se référer à la trentième Réunion des États parties à la Convention.

Le Bureau des affaires juridiques a le plaisir de transmettre ci-joint une lettre datée du 14 août 2020, qui est adressée aux représentants permanents des États parties à la Convention auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies par le Président de la trentième Réunion des États parties au sujet de l'issue des consultations sur les propositions intitulées « *Adoption de l'ordre du jour* » ; « *Élection des vice-présidents* » ; et « *Nomination de la Commission de vérification des pouvoirs* ».

Le Bureau des affaires juridiques saisit cette occasion pour renouveler aux missions permanentes des États parties à la Convention des Nations Unies sur le droit de la mer les assurances de sa très haute considération.



Stéphane Mathias

Le 14 août 2020



PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
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Excellencies,

I wish to refer to my letters dated 30 July, 5 August and 11 August 2020, concerning the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

In my letter dated 11 August 2020, I proposed the adoption of three decisions entitled respectively as follows: “*Adoption of the agenda*”; “*Election of Vice-Presidents*”; and “*Appointment of the Credentials Committee*”. Each of these decisions was placed under a separate silence procedure pursuant to decision 30/1 until 5.00 pm on 14 August 2020.

It is my pleasure to inform you that these silence procedures have concluded without objection. Accordingly, the above-mentioned decisions are considered adopted by the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties as from 5.01 pm today, 14 August 2020.

The thirtieth Meeting will take note of these decisions at its first plenary meeting to be held at the United Nations Headquarters as decision 30/3, entitled “*Adoption of the agenda*”; decision 30/4, entitled “*Election of Vice-Presidents*”; and decision 30/5, entitled “*Appointment of the Credentials Committee*”.

The agenda of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties will be issued as document SPLOS/30/1.

I would like to congratulate H.E. Mr. Ibrahima Toure of Côte d’Ivoire, Mr. Oleksiy Ilnytskyi of Ukraine, Mr. Edgar Daniel Leal Matta of Guatemala and Mr. Cary Scott-Kemmis of Australia, on their election as Vice-Presidents of the thirtieth Meeting. I look forward to closely coordinating with them on all matters pertaining to our work.

I would also like to congratulate Chile, China, Finland, Honduras, Monaco, Myanmar, Namibia, the Russian Federation and Sierra Leone on their appointment as members of the Credentials Committee.

Please accept, Excellencies, the assurances of my highest consideration.



H.E. Burhan Gafoor

President of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

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