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The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations presents its compliments to Representatives 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 a letter dated 25 August 2020 from the President of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties addressed to Representatives of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, regarding the results of the second round of balloting of the election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea.

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



Shah Malik
25 August 2020

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Le Bureau des affaires juridiques de l'Organisation des Nations Unies présente ses compliments aux représentantes et représentants des États parties à la Convention des Nations Unies sur le droit de la mer 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 25 août 2020, qui est adressée aux représentantes et représentants des États parties à la Convention des Nations Unies sur le droit de la mer par le Président de la trentième Réunion des États parties, concernant les résultats du deuxième tour de scrutin de l'élection de sept membres du Tribunal international du droit de la mer.

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



M. K. ...
Le 25 août 2020



PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
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25 August 2020

Excellencies,

I refer to my letters dated 21 and 24 August 2020, and the decision on the conduct of the election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea adopted at the plenary meeting of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, held on 24 August 2020.

I wish to inform you that the result of the vote conducted on Tuesday, 25 August 2020, for the remaining seat on the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, was that no candidate obtained the required majority of votes. The details of the result can be found in **Annex A**.

Consequently, there still remains one seat to be filled from among the candidates from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The thirtieth Meeting of States Parties will hold the third round of balloting tomorrow, Wednesday, 26 August 2020, from 10.00 a.m., in the General Assembly Hall.

In accordance with the decision adopted on 24 August 2020, rule 66 of the Rules of Procedure for Meetings of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.5) will apply. The third round of balloting (second restricted ballot) will be restricted to the two candidates from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States who were not elected but obtained the greatest number of votes in the previous ballot, namely Ms. Kathy-Ann Brown (Jamaica) and Mr. Rodrigo Fernandes More (Brazil).

Information on the conduct of the election is enclosed in **Annex B**. Please note that a fourth round of balloting may be required tomorrow. Information on this will be provided tomorrow at the start of the meeting.

I thank the tellers and the staff of the United Nations Secretariat for their assistance in the second round of the election held today.

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

Representatives of States
Parties to the United
Nations Convention on the
Law of the Sea

Annex A

25 August 2020

TELLERS REPORT

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

Election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

RESULTS of the VOTE IN THE SECOND (FIRST RESTRICTED BALLOT)

Number of votes obtained were:

Latin American and Caribbean States Group

Number of Seats to be filled	<u>1</u>
Number of ballot papers	<u>165</u>
Number of Invalid ballots	<u>0</u>
Number of Valid ballots	<u>165</u>
Abstentions	<u>3</u>

Number of members present and voting 162

Required majority: 2/3 of present and voting 108

Majority of the States parties 84

Candidate	Nationality	Votes Received	Elected
BROWN, Kathy-Ann	Jamaica	96	No
MORE, Rodrigo Fernandes	Brazil	66	No

Annex B

Election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea *Third round (second restricted ballot)*

Vacant seat

1. There remains one seat to be filled from among the candidates from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

Candidates

2. In accordance with rule 66 of the Rules of Procedure for Meetings of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.5), this third round of balloting will be restricted to the two candidates from among the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States who were not elected but obtained the greatest number of votes in the previous ballot, namely Ms. Kathy-Ann Brown (Jamaica) and Mr. Rodrigo Fernandes More (Brazil).

Required majority

3. The candidate who obtains the largest number of votes and a two-thirds majority of the States Parties present and voting shall be declared elected, provided that such majority includes a majority of the States Parties.

Conduct of the election

4. Other relevant information regarding the conduct of the election, including the casting of ballots and results, is set out in the information note entitled “*Logistical and procedural aspects of the election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea*”, appended as “Annex III” to the letter dated 21 August 2020 from the President of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties, available at www.un.org/Depts/los/meeting_states_parties/documents/20200821UnNvStates30MspEFLetterRev.pdf.

Arrival time slots

5. The time slots for the arrival of delegates on Wednesday, 26 August 2020 are set out in “Annex II” to the letter dated 21 August 2020 from the President of the thirtieth Meeting of States Parties, available at: www.un.org/Depts/los/meeting_states_parties/documents/20200821UnNvStates30MspEFLetterRev.pdf.

Registration

6. In order to minimize exposure and risks related to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, participation in the third round of election should be restricted to delegates that have participated in the first or second rounds of the election or have otherwise registered their name through the online registration form.