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INFORMATION

From:	Presidency
To:	Working Party on the Law of the Sea
Subject:	COMAR - ISA - letter on EU contribution to the Administrative Budget

The EU was approached by ISA requesting an increase of the EU contribution to its administrative budget: the attached letter is the response to that request, ahead of the ISA Financial Committee meeting in July.

Best regards,



EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR MARITIME AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES Ocean Governance, Law of the Sea, Arctic Policy

The Head of Unit

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Dear Secretary General,

We thank you for the letter sent on 15 February on the agreed contribution by the European Union to the administrative budget of the Authority.

We take note of the Finance Committee's wish to consider, during its meeting in 2024, the agreed contribution of the European Union to the administrative budget of the Authority, in the context of the consideration of the budget of the Authority for the financial period 2025-2026.

Though the agreed contribution by the European Union is different in nature to the assessed contributions of States members of the Authority, we acknowledge that the last raise of the EU contribution dates from 2008.

We thank your financial staff for the exchanges we had online on 21 May, and we can confirm the intention of the EU to raise its contribution from EUR 100.000 to EUR 150.000, starting in 2026 pending the successful completion of our internal procedures.

Yours sincerely,

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