REPORT ON ARTICLE 9

Article 9

(A)

(As on page 57 of the English text.)

OR (B) 1/

All activities of exploration of the Area and of the exploitation of its resources and all other related activities including those of scientific research shall be conducted directly by the Authority.

The Authority may, if it considers it appropriate, and within the limits it may determine, confer certain tasks to juridical or natural persons, through service contracts, or association or through any other such means it may determine which ensure its direct and effective control at all times over such activities.

OR (C)*

(As on page 58 of the English text.)

Delete foot-note 2b/ on page 58 of the English text.

OR (B)

1. All activities of exploration and exploitation in the Area shall be conducted in accordance with legal arrangements with the Authority pursuant to this convention, regulations included in this convention and those promulgated by the Authority pursuant to this convention.

1/ It was suggested that this text should be prefaced by the following: "Subject to the provisions of this Convention and in particular the regulations promulgated in pursuance of Article IXA ...". 

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