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productively spend its time dealing with underlying questions regarding machinery structure and functions, particularly since in all probability there will be more than ample time to continue coordination with respect to general principles during the March Seabed Committee meeting in New York. In this connection you should point out that the host governments may wish to include economic experts in their delegations to London. Please confirm delivery.

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<u>Tokyo:</u>	N. Kumagai (Legal Affairs) or H. Owada (UN Bureau).

USUN is requested to deliver additional courtesy copies to Amb. Ogiso of Japan and Mr. Smirnov of the USSR. US Mission Geneva is requested to deliver a courtesy copy to Minister Okawa of the Japanese Mission.

For Bonn: FYI. We wish to continue to keep the FRG well informed on LOS issues in general, and we are considering requesting bilateral consultations in Bonn after the London meeting. We may seek reactions at start of the meeting to our making a copy of the document available to the FRG in the light of its interests in deep seabed mining. Accordingly, the Embassy is requested to hold the document and should not raise the subject with the FRG pending further instructions, End FYI.

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