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Her Excellency Leticia Carvalho
Secretary General of the International Seabed Authority
14-20 Port Royal Street
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Excellency:

On behalf of the Government of the Hawaiian Kingdom, I have the honor to refer to my letter to you, dated 30 June 2025, of our intent to accede to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the 1994 Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 (with annex), and my letter to Ms. Mariana Durney, Director-Legal Counsel of the Office of Legal Affairs, dated 28 July 2025, who acknowledged receipt of my letter on 30 July 2025 by electronic mail.

Pending the Government of the Hawaiian Kingdom accession to these international agreements and, thereby, becomes a Member State of the International Seabed Authority, we request observer status as a State in accordance with Article 305(1)(a) of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, and Rule 82(1)(a) of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority. If there are any questions regarding this request please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please accept, Excellency, the expression of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David Keanu Sai'.

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