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SUBJECT: Seabed Arms Control Treaty - Accession Clause

REF: Bonn 6708

1. You should proceed to table US draft Seabeds treaty May 22, but should delete Articles VII and VIII from text. In presenting treaty, you should explain that although administrative articles left blank for time being, these can be worked out at later stage of negotiations, once progress has been made towards agreement on substantive treaty articles.

2. Prior to tabling, you should advise W-4 that articles omitted to meet German concerns expressed in NAC May 19. Say that US continues to favor inclusion of "all states" formula,
however, and intends to insert it at appropriate time. Say that FRG aware of this intention and has indicated it would not object.

3. ACDA officer (Kranich) informed FRG Counselor Lahusen of US plans along above lines today.