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Agenda of the Legal and Technical Commission

- 1. Opening of the session.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda.
- 3. Election of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman.
- 4. Consideration of the annual reports of contractors submitted pursuant to the Regulations on Prospecting and Exploration for Polymetallic Nodules in the Area.
- 5. Review of two applications for approval of plans of work for exploration for polymetallic nodules and recommendations to the Council.
- 6. Consideration of a proposal relating to the criteria for the establishment of preservation reference zones in the Clarion-Clipperton Zone.
- 7. Recommendations for the guidance of contractors under regulation 38 of the Regulations on Prospecting and Exploration for Polymetallic Nodules in the Area:
 - (a) Environmental recommendations;
 - (b) Financial reporting.
- 8. Consideration of the draft regulations on prospecting and exploration for ferromanganese crusts in the Area (ISBA/15/LTC/WP.1).
- 9. Update on progress with the geological model for the Clarion-Clipperton Zone.
- 10. Other matters.

