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THE COUNCIL,

RECALLING its decision, at its 94th session, to proceed with the refurbishment of the Headquarters building, as proposed by the Host Government,

RECALLING ALSO its decision, at its 98th session, to proceed with the concurrent undertaking of the originally planned two phases of the refurbishment works,

WELCOMING the favourable financial arrangements for the refurbishment agreed with the Host Government,

RECALLING that, in the year of its 100th session, the Organization is celebrating two key milestones in its history, namely, the 60th anniversary of the adoption of its constitutive Convention and the 50th anniversary of the Convention's entry into force,

NOTING that the official re-opening following the return of the Organization to its refurbished Headquarters also coincides with its 100th session,

WELCOMING the completion of the refurbishment project on time and to budget,

DESIRING to acknowledge the contribution of all those involved to the successful completion of the refurbishment project and the equally successful running of the Organization's business during the refurbishment period,

1. ACKNOWLEDGES with appreciation the forbearance, understanding and co-operation under challenging circumstances shown by delegates, observers and staff – in particular, at meetings held outside of the IMO Headquarters;
2. EXPRESSES deep and sincere appreciation to the Host Government for its generous financial support and for supervising the successful execution of the refurbishment project;
3. EXPRESSES ALSO appreciation to the Governments of Denmark, Germany, Kenya, Panama, Turkey and the United Kingdom, as well as UNESCO and UNON, for their co-operation, generous support and warm hospitality in hosting IMO meetings;
4. EXPRESSES FURTHER deep appreciation to the Secretariat, which, through hard work and dedication:
 - ensured that the quality of its services, during the refurbishment period, did not suffer due to the changing conditions and circumstances; and
 - supervised and monitored efficiently the Organization's move to 55 Victoria Street and its return to Albert Embankment and, in between, the successful execution of the project.

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