**Submission of proposals related to the Further revised draft text of an agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction**

**Template**

*Please fill out one form for each article which your delegation(s) or group(s) wish(es) to propose, amend or delete.*

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Core Group of Latin American Countries (CLAM).

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PART III MEASURES SUCH AS AREA-BASED MANAGEMENT TOOLS, INCLUDING MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

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Article 19.

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Article 19

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5 Bis. To further international cooperation and coordination with respect to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction, the Conference of Parties may invite relevant global, regional, subregional and sectoral bodies to inform with regard to area-based management tools established.

1. **Rationale for the proposal, if any.**

This proposal intends to capture a compromise solution and it would replace current paragraphs 2 and 3 of Article 19 related to “recognition”. Regarding “recognition” there are concerns that this process could create a “shortcut” that allows some parties to circumvent the procedures of BBNJ. There should not be different criteria between those measures adopted by BBNJ and other IFB.

Furthermore, there are concerns around the implications of recognition that those measures in other IFBs are implemented and bring about obligations for the entire BBNJ membership, given that recognition must be also analyzed, in addition to the process and BBNJ criteria, from the coherence of the scope of application and membership of the Parties.