Intervention by the Delegation of the Commonwealth of The BAHAMAS

On Agenda Item 7 - Capacity Building and Transfer of Marine Technology

At the 1st Session of the Intergovernmental Conference on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

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6.4 Monitoring and Review

Madame President/Facilitator, The Bahamas wishes to align itself with, but restrain itself from repeating in too much detail, the important interventions made on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, as well as CARICOM and AOSIS. My intervention on this point will be very brief.

In regards to 6.4, on Monitoring and Review, and who would undertake this (a), The Bahamas suggests that an auditing team comprised of experts from Member States party to the Convention, would undertake the monitoring and review of the effectiveness of capacity building and transfer of marine technology. C) As follow-up, this body, based on results-based analysis and information supplied by participatory Member States, would develop recommendations on how to improve these activities, where applicable.

Thank you, Madame Facilitator.