**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.*

1. **Name(s) of Delegation(s) and/or Group(s) making the proposal in the order that they should be listed in any conference room papers or other documents:**

The Group of 77 and China

1. **Please indicate the relevant part of the Further revised draft text (as reflected in A/CONF.232/2022/5) that this proposal relates to, using the drop-down menu below.**

PART VI INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. **Please indicate the relevant article of the Further revised draft text (as reflected in A/CONF.232/2022/5**1**) that this proposal relates to (if applicable) or indicate if this is a proposal for an additional article**

Article 51 (3)

1. **Kindly provide the amendments to the article that are being proposed in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the article that are being amended or deleted - examples are attached for reference.**

3. The clearing-house mechanism shall:

 (a) Serve as a centralized platform to enable Parties to access, provide and disseminate information with respect to activities taking place pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, including information relating to:

 (i) Marine genetic resources of areas beyond national jurisdiction, including ~~questions on~~ the sharing of benefits, and data and scientific information on, as well as, in line with the principle of free, prior and informed consent, traditional knowledge associated with marine genetic resources of areas beyond national jurisdiction;

 (ii) The establishment and implementation of area-based management tools, including marine protected areas;

 (iii) Environmental impact assessments;

 (iv) Requests for capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology and opportunities with respect thereto, including research collaboration and training opportunities, information on sources and availability of technological information and data for the transfer of marine technology, opportunities for facilitated access to marine technology and the availability of funding;

 (b) Facilitate the matching of capacity-building needs with the support available and with providers for the transfer of marine technology, including governmental, non-governmental or private entities interested in participating as donors in the transfer of marine technology, and facilitate access to related know-how and expertise;

 (c) Provide links and act as a coordinating framework to relevant global, regional, subregional, national and sectoral clearing-house mechanisms and other databases, repositories and gene banks, including those pertaining to relevant traditional knowledge of indigenous peoples and local communities and promote, where possible, links with publicly available private and non-governmental platforms for the exchange of information;

 (d) Build on global, regional and subregional clearing-house institutions, where applicable, when establishing regional and subregional mechanisms under the global mechanism;

 (e) Foster enhanced transparency, including by facilitating the sharing of baseline data and information relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction between Parties and other relevant stakeholders;

 (f) Facilitate international cooperation and collaboration, including scientific and technical cooperation and collaboration;

 (g) Perform such other functions as assigned in this Agreement and may be determined by the Conference of the Parties.

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

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