



Second Meeting of the Signatories
San José, Costa Rica, 15-19 February 2016
Agenda Item 6

ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

1. Paragraphs 22 and 23 of the MOU make provision for the following types of entities to participate as observers at the first session of the Meeting of the Signatories and its subsidiary bodies:

- a) any State not a Signatory to the MOU;
- b) the United Nations, and any specialized Agency thereof;
- c) any Regional Economic Integration Organization (REIO);
- d) any Secretariat of relevant international conventions or other instruments, particularly concerned with the conservation and management of marine living resources or sharks; and
- e) any relevant scientific, environmental, cultural, fisheries or technical body concerned with the conservation and management of marine living resources including sharks.

2. For this meeting, in the absence of Rules of Procedure which have been tabled for discussion under agenda item 2.2, the Secretariat proposes that the provisions of paragraphs 22 and 23 should continue to apply.

3. The Annex to this document lists all observers that have registered for the meeting by the date of this document.

Action requested:

The Meeting of the Signatories is invited to:

- Admit observers present at the Meeting