**Decision A-33/4.7**

**IOC Contributions to UN Governance Processes**

The Assembly,

1. Having examined document IOC/A-33/4.7.Doc(1),
2. [USA]Notes [USA] the outcomes of the 1st meeting of the Preparatory Commission for the Entry into Force of the BBNJ Agreement (14–25 April 2025, UN Hq)), including the proposal to establish a group involving experts to advance work related to the BBNJ Clearing House Mechanism;
3. Also notes [USA] the recent developments under the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the Convention on Biological Diversity such as the new process for identifying Ecologically or Biologically Significant marine Areas (EBSAs);
4. Further notes [USA] the recent developments under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, including through the regular Ocean/Climate Dialogue organised yearly;
5. Invites IOC Member States to engage in the above-mentioned processes though relevant national coordination mechanism, as [appropriate/relevant], [USA]and to highlight the value proposition and expertise of the IOC to these ocean governance processes, particularly in the area of coordination of international ocean science processes, ocean observation and exchange of ocean data, the assessment of national and regional capacities in ocean science, the design/implementation of tailored capacity development initiatives and regional collaborative approaches, as well as science-based application for ocean management;
6. Requests the IOC Executive Secretary to continue to engage and reinforce cooperation with relevant UN organizations managing these processes, and provide technical and scientific inputs, as appropriate; [USA]
7. Encourages Member States to continue regular measurements and data collections on ocean acidification and proportion of total research budget allocated to the field of marine technology [USA] as well as the support to relevant IOC mechanisms, in particular the Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network, the Ocean Acidification Research for Sustainability Ocean Decade programme, the ocean acidification [USA] data portal working groups, the *Global Ocean Science Report* and GOSR Tracker.