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**RESPONSE TO FACILITATOR TO REACT TO THE MENTION OF THE PSMA ON
OPTIONS FOR CAPACITY BULDING AND TRANSFER OF TECNOLOGY MODALITIES**

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Agreement on Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

Article 21

1. Parties shall give full recognition to the special requirements of developing States Parties in relation to the implementation of port State measures consistent with this Agreement. To this end, Parties shall, either directly or through FAO, other specialized agencies of the United Nations or other appropriate international organizations and bodies, including regional fisheries management organizations, provide assistance to developing States Parties in order to, *inter alia*:
 - (a) enhance their ability, in particular the least-developed among them and small island developing States, to develop a legal basis and capacity for the implementation of effective port State measures;
 - (b) facilitate their participation in any international organizations that promote the effective development and implementation of port State measures; and
 - (c) facilitate technical assistance to strengthen the development and implementation of port State measures by them, in coordination with relevant international mechanisms.

2. Parties shall give due regard to the special requirements of developing port States Parties, in particular the least-