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legally binding instrument 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**

Fourth session

New York, 7 – 18 March 2022

Information for participants

Note by the Secretariat

I. Introduction

1. Pursuant to resolution 72/249 of



10. In addition, a scanned copy of the credentials, as well as other communications containing

VIII. Interpretation

16. The six official languages of the Conference are Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.

17. Statements made in the plenary in any of the six official languages will be interpreted into the other official languages. It is essential that delegations provide the interpreters with copies of their texts by emailing them to estatements@un.org well in advance of the meeting, but no later than two hours before delivery, in order to assure the quality of the interpretation. Speakers are requested to deliver the statement at a speed that facilitates simultaneous interpretation (100 to 120 words per minute).

18. Any speaker may also make a statement in a language other than the official languages. In such cases, in accordance with rule 53 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the delegation in question must provide either an interpreter who would interpret from the non-official language into an official language or a written text of the statement in one of the official languages to be read out by a United Nations interpreter. Tb1agO2 Tw 0.42 0 Td [(U)-16y 0

32. Media members requiring assistance or escort to meeting rooms should visit the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit, on the second floor of the Secretariat Building (S-250).

33. All media representatives will be required to present a valid United Nations grounds pass to the United Nations security officer assw 0.82 0 Td ()Tj 0(o)-4(f)-11(f)-11(i)-26(cer)-3-14a(8(s)]TJ 0 0 T 2.84 e0.8

XII. Greening the Conference

43. The United Nations is taking a number of measures to minimize environmental impact and maximize the social, economic and environmental sustainability of the Conference. All participants are encouraged to contribute to sustainability efforts.

44. Participants are encouraged to bring reusable bottles/mugs and avoid disposable cups and plastic water bottles.

45. Participants are encouraged to use portable devices as the main way to access Conference documentation to reduce paper consumption. All pre-Conference and in-session documentation will be made available on the Conference website (www.un.org/bbnj) in a timely manner.

XIII. Medical services and measures in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic

46. The United Nations Medical Service provides health-care support for acute injuries and illnesses and a trav08 0 92 Tw -40.18 -1.2 Td [(ille)Tj 0.006 Tc 0.01 Tw 0.36 0 Td [(w)2(w)2(w)(nt)-2(a)4(ds)]TJe mad 0

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- Riverview Café (Conference Building, 4th Floor): 11:30 AM to 3 PM (lunch service only).

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