



The Protection of the
Underwater Cultural Heritage

**FIRST SESSION OF THE MEETING OF STATES
PARTIES TO THE UNESCO 2001 CONVENTION
ON THE PROTECTION OF THE UNDERWATER
CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**26/27 March 2009, Paris, UNESCO Headquarters
Room II**

CLT/CIH/MCO/2009/ME/89 REV.

Item 6 of the Provisional Agenda: Discussion on the possible nomination of the members of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body to the Meeting of States Parties and discussion of the date and venue of its first meeting

Decision required: paragraph 5

1. Article 23.4 of the Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage foresees that the Meeting of States Parties may establish a Scientific and Technical Advisory Body (hereinafter “the Advisory Body”) composed of experts nominated by the States Parties with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution and the desirability of gender balance.
2. The establishment of such body as well as the nominations of members to it is not a statutory obligation.
3. With the invitations to the First Meeting of States Parties the Parties have been asked to comment on their desire to establish such a body. If candidatures should be sent to the Secretariat, the Secretariat will circulate such candidatures and accompanying information in due time before the Meeting of States Parties.
4. In the Annex information is given on the geographical distribution of States Parties to the Convention.
5. The following Resolution is proposed:

DRAFT RESOLUTION:

The Meeting of States Parties,

1. *Having examined document CLT/CIH/MCO/2009/ME/89,*

2. *nominates the following Members to the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body to the Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage:*

	Name	State
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3. *Decides that the first meeting of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body will be held in _____ (place) in _____ 2009.*

ANNEX:

Repartition of States Parties within Electoral Groups

Number of States Parties at the opening of the First Meeting of States Parties: 20

Group I

Portugal
Spain

Group II

Bulgaria
Croatia
Lithuania
Montenegro
Romania
Slovenia
Ukraine

Group III

Barbados
Cuba
Ecuador
Mexico
Panama
Paraguay
Saint Lucia

Group IV

Cambodia

Group V (a + b)

Lebanon
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Nigeria