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**CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION OF THE UNDERWATER CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**FIFTH MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY BODY**

**11 June 2014, UNESCO Headquarters, Room VI  
7, place de Fontenoy, Paris  
10 am – 6 pm**

**Item 3 of the Provisional Agenda:**

**NGO Cooperation**

**Action required : Paragraph 6**

1. In its fourth session in 2013 the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body recommended to the Meeting of States Parties by Recommendation 4 / STAB 4 to cooperate with the accredited NGOs in the promotion of ratifications of the 2001 Convention, capacity-building, and the organization of events.
2. The Advisory Body decided itself by the same recommendation to cooperate with the NGOs in:
  - a. common public outreach activities regarding the general public as well as divers;
  - b. identifying and assessing pressing questions of underwater archaeology;
  - c. facilitating communication between the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body, NGOs and the academic community;
  - d. promoting and implementing the results of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Body;
  - e. outreach activities to industries; and
  - f. harmonizing standards.
3. The Advisory Body also invited accredited NGOs to:
  - a. join, if possible, under the ICOMOS International Committee on the Underwater Cultural Heritage or a similar lead organization;
  - b. undertake common funding applications;
  - c. elaborate a common action plan to promote the ratification and implementation of the 2001 Convention.
4. In order to advance on these issues, the Secretariat provided the accredited NGO with a list of responsible competent national authorities worldwide working on underwater cultural heritage issues.
5. The representatives of accredited NGOs met also the day preceding the present meeting to discuss further action.

6. The Advisory Body may wish to discuss further with the NGO representatives present on cooperation and adopt the following resolution:

**DRAFT RESOLUTION 3 / STAB 5**

The Scientific and Technical Advisory Body to the Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage,

1. Decides....