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**COMMENTS FROM THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA, TO
THE DRAFT ON: "THE CONVENTION OF CONSERVATION AND
MANAGEMENT OF THE FISHERY RESOURCES OF THE HIGH SEAS IN
THE SOUTH PACIFIC OCEAN"**

1.- With respect to ARTICLE 1 (Definitions) PARAGRAPH (g), we consider:

Add the definition of "support vessels" (related vessel) to the fisheries, in view of the efforts of other vessels related to the activity and / or fishing operation

2.- ARTICLE 13, NUMERAL 3:

We suggest that the contributions and financial applications, as other forms of assistance from organizations, individuals, etc., which do not participate in this Convention, will be discussed and prior agreement by Contracting Parties.

3.- ARTICLE 23, NUMERAL 1, LITERAL (b):

We believe that the phrase "all of the transshipped fish or fish products derived from fishery resources shall be landed at a Contracting Party port" we propose to delete "at a Contracting Party port" in view that the proceeds of the collection may be landed in another country because multiple causes such as a breakdown, for a gift or other reason. We suggest that these vessels carry an observer on board from one of the Parties

4.- ARTICLE 34:

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela is not a signatory state to the UNCLOS, as several countries in these fisheries, therefore prefer that when it comes to the "Dispute Resolution", must be addressed in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 3.1 CODE OF CONDUCT FOR RESPONSIBLE FISHING, which reads: (Code) will be interpreted and applied in conformity with the relevant rules of international law, as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 1982. "Nothing in this (code) shall prejudice the rights, jurisdiction and duties of States under international law as reflected in the Convention.