

Preparatory Meeting, February 5 AM

## Remarks


**By the co-facilitators of the agreed declaration**

**Of the OCEAN conference**

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**[Ambassador Uludong of Palau]**

Excellencies, Distinguished delegates, Ladies and gentlemen,

I call to order the third meeting of the preparatory meeting for the 2020 United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development. 

We shall continue our discussion on elements for a brief, concise, action-oriented and intergovernmentally agreed declaration.

Before the floor is opened for statements, I wish to remind participants of the time limit of FIVE minutes for States speaking on behalf of a group of States, THREE minutes for States speaking in a national capacity and TWO minutes for other participants so that all requests for the floor can be accommodated.

I would therefore request speakers to keep statements as brief and succinct as possible. Representatives with longer statements are encouraged to read a shorter version of their text and to submit their full-length statements to the Secretariat for posting on the Conference website.

I open now the floor for comments and questions.

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Participants are kindly requested to press the button on the console before them in order to request for the floor.

**[See list of speakers.]**

**[Ambassador Hermann of Denmark]**

I now give the floor to the representative of \_\_\_\_\_.

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I thank the representative of \_\_\_\_\_.

**[Ambassador Hermann of Denmark]**

We have heard the last speaker for this meeting.

I thank delegations for their attendance and participation in yet another enlightening discussion. We will continue our discussion on the elements for the declaration at 3:00 p.m. in this Room. The meeting is adjourned.