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**Intergovernmental conference on an international  
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**

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**Report of the Preparatory Committee established by  
General Assembly resolution [69/292](#): Development of an  
international 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**

The General Assembly, in paragraph 16 of its resolution [72/249](#), decided to forward the report of the Preparatory Committee established by resolution [69/292](#): Development of an international 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 to the Conference.

Pursuant to that decision, the report is available under the symbol [A/AC.287/2017/PC.4/2](#).

