Agenda Item 5.3
ARCTIC OCEAN REVIEW
SAO Meeting
12-13 November 2009
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Introduction

• Review of global and regional measures for protection of Arctic marine environment.
• Will consider both sea and land-based measures affecting marine environment.
• Multi-phased project.
The AOR responds to:

- PAME Mandate;
- Arctic Marine Strategic Plan;
- The common objectives and priorities for the Norwegian, Danish and Swedish chairmanships of the Arctic Council (2006-2013);
- Objective II of the PAME Work Plan 2009-2011; and
- Interest/Commitment by the global community to sustainable development, and protection of marine biodiversity and marine environment.
Goals

- Respond to “mandates”.
- Demonstrate stewardship.
- Provide guidance to Ministers.
Scope

- Global and regional measures.
- Not a new assessment.
- Based on existing information.
Phase I (2009-2011) Objectives

- Compile and produce status/trends and governance report;
- Hold Experts’ workshop;
- Provide Phase I report to Arctic Council Ministers; and
- Communicate Arctic marine environment stewardship efforts.
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<td>September 30-October 2, 2009</td>
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| February 2010       | Information requested from other working groups, permanent participants, and other experts.  
                      | First draft of compilation document for AOR technical workshop.         |
| March 2010          | Revised first draft of compilation document, and workshop content and logistics |
| June 2010           | Second draft of compilation document and invite to AOR technical workshop |
| September 2010      | AOR technical workshop and third draft of compilation document           |
| November 2010       | PAME Chair to present AOR compilation document and workshop outcomes to SAOs |
| March 2011          | PAME to approve final compilation document                               |
| April 2011          | Present AOR Phase I Report to Arctic Council Ministers                    |
Phase II (2011-2013) Objectives

- Based on Phase I Report, analyze challenges;
- Host a conference of international ocean experts;
- Produce a list of options to address challenges; and,
- Develop recommendations through a final AOR report to Arctic Council Ministers.
Thank You

Questions?