

## **Annotation to agenda item 4.8(c)**

### **Proposal to PAME for Cooperation with WWF's ArkGIS**

#### **Background**

At the PAME I-2013 meeting in Rovaniemi, initial discussions took place to consider possible cooperation between WWF and PAME on WWF's ArkGIS data and platform (<http://www.arkgis.org/>). This meeting adopted a Record of Decision (RoD) "*requesting the Secretariat to explore the possibility of accepting a transfer of the ArkGIS database into the [www.arcticdata.is](http://www.arcticdata.is) when WWF is ready to do so.*" The proposal to PAME for cooperation with WWFs ArkGIS is based on consultations with the PAME Secretariat.

#### **Actions for consideration by the PAME II-2013 Meeting**

To consider WWFs proposal to further develop ArkGIS as detailed in the following three broad avenues:

- A. *Engaging in partnerships with the aim to include more data, enhancing both the environmental and the human use and cultural layers;*
- B. *Carrying out specific spatial analyses relevant to WWF's work;*
- C. *Engaging with stakeholders, particularly the AC WGs, the IMO, and national governmental entities, to advance EBM-related issues in the Arctic, and to identify spatial data analyses that are of a shared interest.*