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COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF THE
SEA-BED AND THE OCEAN FLOOR BEYOND THE
LIMITS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION

SUB-COMMITTEE III

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH WITHIN THE ZONE SUBJECT TO THE SOVEREIGNTY
AND JURISDICTION OF THE COASTAL STATE

Brazil, Ecuador, El Salvador, Peru and Uruguay:

1. The coastal State shall have the right to bring under regulation scientific **research** activities conducted in the zone subject to its maritime sovereignty and jurisdiction.
2. Scientific research activities in the zone subject to the maritime sovereignty and jurisdiction of the coastal State shall be conducted for peaceful purposes.
3. The coastal State shall promote, select and facilitate scientific research activities within the zone subject to its maritime sovereignty and jurisdiction with a view to promoting the development of science and technology, in order that the results may contribute to a better knowledge, and to the preservation of the marine environment and its resources and to a more efficient exploitation of those resources.
4. States, international organizations and physical or juridical persons desiring to undertake scientific research activities within the zone under the maritime sovereignty and jurisdiction of the coastal State shall apply for and obtain authorization from that State and comply with the provisions imposed by it; they shall specify: (a) the objectives and tasks of their research; (b) the means to be used; (c) the scientific staff to be employed; (d) the zones in which the activities are to be conducted; (e) the dates proposed for conducting them; and they shall undertake to transmit to the coastal State the primary data and results of the investigation and any samples obtained in the course of it.
5. The coastal State shall have the right to participate in the scientific research activities conducted within the zone subject to its maritime sovereignty and jurisdiction.

6. The scientific research activities in the zone subject to the maritime sovereignty and jurisdiction of the coastal State shall be conducted in conformity with the conditions laid down in the relevant authorization. These conditions shall not be altered by the persons conducting the investigation, except with the express consent of the coastal State.
7. Scientific research activities shall be so conducted that they do not harm the marine resources, and that they do not interfere with or obstruct the exploitation of those resources, navigation or existing services and installations.
8. The coastal State shall co-operate with other States and with the international organizations concerned in order to disseminate the results of scientific research.