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## MEMORANDUM

## PRESENTED BY THE DELEGATIONS OF BELGIUM, FRANCE AND THE UNITED KINGDOM

The representatives of Belgium, France and the United Kingdom would remind the meeting that previously, at the Camberra meeting, their delegations drew the attention of the Consultative Parties to the fact that their countries had delegated their competence to the European Economic Community in certain fields covered by the future Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

During the course of the Buenos Aires meeting, the representatives of Belgium, France and the United Kingdom have confirmed that the Member States of the European Economic Community consider it essential that the latter should become a party to the Convention and that all the necessary provisions should be taken to enable it to negotiate directly its participation in the aforesaid Convention.

Consequently, the delegations of Belgium, France and the United Kingdom deem it essential that an invitation be extended to the European Economic Community to provide for its full participation in the diplomatic conference that will be entrusted with the final drafting of the text that will be epen to signature.