

6.1 IHO-IAG Advisory Board on the Law of the Sea (ABLOS)

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The HSSC Assistant Secretary reported on the activities of ABLOS on behalf of the ABLOS Chair. Following the presentation, India made a number of suggestions for upgrading publications S-5 – *FIG-IHO-ICA Standards of Competence* and C-51 - *Manual on Technical Aspects of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea* -.

Some concerns were also raised on definitions within C-51 that are not fully in line with existing definitions in S-32 – *Hydrographic Dictionary*.

It was noted that ABLOS should be kept informed on the progress made by the S-121 Project Team (*Maritime Limits and Boundaries*) in the development of its Product Specification (Action [HSSC8/16](#) refers).

Outcome:

- The Committee noted the report of ABLOS.

→ Actions [HSSC8/46](#), [HSSC8/47](#), [HSSC8/48](#)

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LOS Definitions	HSSC8/46	ABLOS to identify and submit words and definitions to be considered by the HDWG for inclusion in S-32.	HSSC-9
Standards of Competence	HSSC8/47	IN to submit proposals on the need to upgrade Standards of Competence on TALOS matters in accordance with the submission procedures for S-5A&B.	Next revision cycle of S-5
C-51	HSSC8/48 (Former HSSC7/29)	IN to submit proposals to ABLOS, on the need to expand and update the scope of Chapters 4 and 5 of C-51 for the preparation of future Editions.	ABLOS-24