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**Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice
on its twenty-second session,
held at Bonn from 19 to 27 May 2005**

Amendment

At the request of the Government of Argentina, the reference in paragraph 99 of document FCCC/SBSTA/2005/4 to its statement made during the twenty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice is amended as follows:¹

At the same meeting, the representative of Argentina made a statement referring to document FCCC/SBSTA/2005/MISC.5. She noted with concern that maps contained in this document suggested that Argo floats had drifted into Argentina's Economic Exclusive Zone, without the notification required in accordance with international law. She recalled that the collection of oceanographic data through instruments such as the Argo floats is regulated by Part XIII of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, which, among other aspects and as a general rule, requires that the Coastal State provides its consent for the execution of activities of marine scientific research in its Exclusive Economic Zone. She added that Resolution 6, adopted by the Assembly of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO at its 20th session (UNESCO, 2001), required Member States to notify the concerned Coastal States the deployment in the high seas of ARGO floats which might drift into their Economic Exclusive Zones. Argentina, therefore, urges the States that deployed the referred ARGO floats, as well as the States of which are nationals the scientific institutions that deployed the ARGO floats, to notify such deployment in the shortest delays, indicating in particular the number of ARGO floats, their location and detailed information on the data gathered.

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