Chair, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates,

Indonesia has actively participated in the discussion within the Working Group on the Proposal of the Establishment of the Sub Committee on Fisheries Management. We stressed the importance of the discussion to be member-led, transparent, and inclusive.

In principle, Indonesia support the establishment of the Sub-Committee on Fisheries Management (SCFM) to serve as a forum for consultation and discussion on fisheries management, technical and policy issues and related work, with certain considerations as follow:

a. Indonesia supports the possible proposal to establish a source of financing that comes from external sources. However, developing the multi-donor trust funds that consisted of private companies, non-governmental organizations, and such is something that needs to be further considered and discussed.

b. Indonesia notes that the reference for additional financial and administrative implications through the establishment of the SCFM is something that we still need to evaluate thoroughly. We emphasized the increased burden on financial and others implications should be addressed before establishing the new sub-committee on fisheries management.

Thank you.