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Special Session on Observer Engagement

FINAL Agenda

20 October 2015 | 09:00 – 13:00 | Dena'ina Convention Center, Anchorage, Alaska

1. Welcome and Introduction

2. Facilitating Observers' Engagement in the Arctic Council

General discussion on the role of Observers in the Arctic Council, with particular emphasis on how Observers can contribute to the Working Groups (WGs), Task Forces (TFs), and Expert Groups (EGs). Discussion may include the desirability of making the participation of Observers in the subsidiary bodies more uniform and exploring additional opportunities for Observers to contribute to the work of the WGs, TFs, and EGs.

3. Opportunities for Observer Engagement in Subsidiary Body Initiatives

The group may discuss Observer participation and contributions to specific initiatives, including:

- (a) Black Carbon & Methane
- (b) the Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative
- (c) Research collaboration, for example Adaption Actions for a Changing Arctic

4. Other Issues

5. Conclusion