White Paper on Working in Foreign Ports & Obtaining Marine Science Research Clearances

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11/30/2017
Where it began...

- Very difficult operations out of Mexico in late 2016-2017
- Large variety of issues from
  - Last minute changes in visa requirements
  - Cargo difficulties – in and out
  - Questions around agent
  - Difficulties obtaining sample shipment requirements
- Special meeting at the spring scheduling meeting (03/17)
The Committee

- Andreas Teske/UNC
- Amanda Joye/UGA
- Dan Fornari/WHOI
- Liz Brenner/SIO
- Al Suchy/WHOI
- Miguel McKinney/RSMAS
- Alice Doyle/UNOLS (facilitator)
Progress!

- **White Paper** - Proposing, Planning and Executing logistics involved in Oceanographic Field Operations in Foreign Waters and Port
  - Executive Summary/Recommendations

- **Appendix 1** – Detailed Recommendations and Considerations for Working in Foreign Ports and Obtaining Marine Science Research Clearances

- **Cruise Planning Information** – on UNOLS website
Getting the word out

- Posted White Paper & App 1 on the UNOLS website
- Sent email announcement to UNOLS News & 2018 PIs
- Announced White Paper & Cruise Planning Information on the UNOLS website banner
- Added links to White Paper & App 1 in the “Ports” and “Clearances” sections of the Ship Time Request
Yet to do:

- Obtain **feedback** on Cruise Planning Information pages
- Get moving on **Appendix B** – Working in Mexico
- Create slides for the **Chief Scientist Training**
- **Packing & Shipping** Best Practices
- Other **Appendices**
Summary

• Hoping this information will benefits the community
  ▫ Planning for cruises
  ▫ Working in Foreign Ports
  ▫ Obtaining Marine Science Research Clearances

• Looking forward to feedback on info & further ways to reach the community

• Have more work to do