

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION
COMMITTEE FOR THE REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF
MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION

12th MEETING

(by videoconference)

19 August 2021 and 15 October 2021 (resumed)

CHAIR'S REPORT

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The 12th meeting of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of Measures Adopted by the Commission (Review Committee) was held by videoconference on 19 August 2021 and, since it could not be concluded on that date, it was resumed on 15 October 2021.

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by the Chair of the Committee, Mr. David Hogan, of the United States. At its initial session in August 2021, the Committee adopted the *ad hoc* rules and arrangements for that 12th meeting by videoconference only.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Committee adopted its agenda at its initial session.

3. Compliance with IATTC measures in 2020: report on compliance and review of the questionnaires completed by CPCs pursuant to Resolution C-11-07

The Committee began the CPC-by-CPC¹ review in the initial session per document COR-12-02 and related compliance documents, including the compliance questionnaires and compendium, which were posted with access control on the IATTC website ([Compliance 2020](#)). France, Guatemala and Kiribati were not present at the initial session, so reminder letters were issued per the request of the Committee. In its resumed session, the Committee continued the CPC-by-CPC

¹ CPCs. Members and Cooperating non-Members of the Commission.

review. At that time, Kiribati and Peru were not present, and Vanuatu deferred on presenting until their Head of Delegation was available.

4. Consideration of the provisional IUU Vessel List

The Committee reviewed this issue and did not find a basis to consider or recommend any changes to the IUU list, as reproduced in Document [COR-12-04 IUU Vessel List 2021-2022](#).

5. Cooperating Non-Members

The Committee reviewed Document [COR-12-03 REV Cooperating Non-Members](#) and recommended renewing Cooperating non-Member status for all current Cooperating non-Members: Bolivia, Chile, Honduras, Indonesia, and Liberia.

6. Other business

No other business was discussed.

7. Recommendations for the Commission

In addition to the recommendation under agenda item number 5 above, the Committee developed the following recommendations for the Committee and Commission, as follows:

- **Recommendations for the Committee:**
 - That the comments and questions from the participating and attending CPCs regarding absent CPCs be collected and included in the communications sent to these CPCs, in addition to reminding them of their responsibility to participate in the meetings of the Committee. In these communications, the Secretariat would ask the absent CPCs, on behalf of the Committee, to respond to these comments and questions.
- **Recommendations for the CPCs:**
 - That CPCs send their responses regarding possible infractions in writing, to complement any information provided orally during the meeting of the Committee, so that those responses can be duly included in the Secretariat's database, making it possible to better monitor the enforcement actions taken by the CPCs.
- **Recommendations for the Commission:**
 - That the IATTC hold a workshop to specifically address the compliance review process and full implementation of paragraphs 5-9 of Resolution C-11-07. This meeting, which could be held prior to the annual meetings in 2022, could aim to identify the challenges faced by the IATTC with respect to the compliance process and possible solutions to those challenges.
 - That time be allocated on the agenda of the 13th Meeting of the Committee to continue progress made at the workshop, consider additional steps to fully implement Resolution C-11-07, and make the corresponding recommendations to the Commission during its 2022 Annual Meeting;
 - That the IATTC reiterate to CPCs the requirement that all catch data from the IATTC-WCPFC overlap area must be reported to both RFMOs.
- **Recommendations to the Secretariat:**
 - That the Secretariat add to its compliance report a flag-by-flag review of vessels that commit repeated infractions, in order to assist the Committee in better assessing the level of non-compliance.

- That the Secretariat provide information on whether data or reports have been submitted in previous years (e.g. the previous 5 years) as required by several resolutions, which would allow the Commission to have a better context and information on the possible repeated non-compliance by a CPC, as well as the progress made by this CPC in this regard.
- That the Secretariat correct the Spanish version of Resolution C-19-01, paragraph 10, to read "siembra", instead of "uso", as the correct translation of the word "deployment" in the original English version.
- That the Secretariat follow up with each CPC that has not responded "not applicable" to the question in the compliance questionnaire regarding the implementation of Recommendation C-12-11, to clarify which of the two RFMOs conservation and management measures their vessels observe in the IATTC-WCPFC overlap area.
- That the Secretariat prepare a comprehensive summary of compliance with the applicable procedures for granting exemptions from the obligation to carry an observer on board, pursuant to the exception procedure that was adopted in response to the circumstances imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the related obligations regarding the provision of information and data that the observer would have collected.

In addition, the Committee noted that the 98th meeting (resumed) would be the first plenary session of the Commission to which the recommendations that it adopted at its 11th meeting ([11th meeting of the Committee](#)), as included in the Chair's report (COR-11 Chair's Report) and also reproduced in document [COR-12-05 REV Recommendations of the 11th meeting of the COR: progress report](#), would be submitted for their consideration and adoption.

8. Closure

The meeting was adjourned on 15 October 2021. The place and date of the next session will be scheduled in association with the 2022 meeting of the Commission.