

Report of Implementation for the year 2014

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Reporting CPC: Madagascar

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Please NOTE: this document is composed of 3 sections to report on the implementation of IOTC resolutions

Part A. *Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission at its sixteenth Session.*

1. Resolution 14/01 On the removal of obsolete Conservation and Management Measures
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2. Resolution 14/02 For the conservation and management of tropical tunas stocks in the IOTC area of competence
Pending the next meeting of the Technical Committee on Allocation Criteria
3. Resolution 14/03 On enhancing the dialogue between fisheries scientists and managers
Madagascar attended the 2nd Workshop on Connecting the IOTC Science and Management Processes in Cape Town, in September 2014.
4. Resolution 14/04 Concerning the IOTC record of vessels authorised to operate in the IOTC area of competence^a
The updated details on the Licensing Authority have been sent to the IOTC Secretariat by email on 14/07/2014.
5. Resolution 14/05 Concerning a record of licensed foreign vessels fishing for IOTC species in the IOTC area of competence and access agreement information^a
The list of vessels authorized by Madagascar in 2014 has already been sent to the IOTC Secretariat by email on 17/02/2015.
6. Resolution 14/06 On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels^a
According to the standard fishing protocol regarding tuna and tuna-like species, at-sea transshipment is forbidden for vessels to which Madagascar has issued a fishing license. Thus, no transshipment authorization is issued to the aforementioned vessels.

Note: ^a indicate that a template report exists for some of the requirements and can be downloaded at <http://www.iotc.org/compliance/reporting-templates>



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Part B. *Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission in previous Sessions, and which have not been reported previously.*

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Part C. Data and information reporting requirements for CPCs to be included in this report (please refer to the *section February 2015 of the Guide on data and information reporting requirements for Members and Cooperating Non-contracting Parties*).

- Resolution 01/06 Concerning the IOTC bigeye tuna statistical document programme

CPCs which export bigeye tuna shall examine export data upon receiving the import data from the Secretary, and report the results to the Commission annually [A template report exists]).

The report has already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:

Yes **Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY):** [Click here to enter text.](#)

No

The report is attached to the implementation report:

Yes

No

Additional information:

The annual report for 2014 is being prepared and will be submitted soon. For 2013, the annual report has been submitted to the IOTC Secretariat on 25/02/15.

- Recommendation 05/07 Concerning a management standard for the tuna fishing vessels

The CPC flag states which issues licenses to their AFVs should report annually to the Commission all measures taken to meet the minimum management standards when they issue fishing licenses to their “authorised fishing vessels”.

On-board observers.

VMS monitoring of vessels activities.

At-sea and in-port controls of vessels.

- Resolution 10/06 On Reducing the Incidental Bycatch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries

CPCs shall provide to the Commission, as part of their annual reports, information on how they are implementing this measure and all available information on interactions with seabirds, including bycatch by fishing vessels carrying their flag or authorised to fish by them. This is to include details of species where available to enable the Scientific Committee to annually estimate seabird mortality in all fisheries within the IOTC Area of Competence.

No vessel flying the flag of Madagascar is fishing south of 25° South. Nonetheless, surveillance actions are implemented through VMS on a continuous basis.

- Resolution 10/10 Concerning market related measures

For CPCs that import tuna and tuna-like fish products, or in whose ports those products are landed or transhipped, should report, a range of information (e.g. information on vessels / owners, product data (species, weight), point of export) annually. [A template report exists].

The report on import, landing or transhipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products landed or transhipped in port in 2014 have already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:

Yes **Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY):** [Click here to enter text.](#)

No

The report on import, landing or transhipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products landed or transhipped in port in 2014 is attached to the implementation report:

Yes No

Additional information:

This report pertains to foreign purse seiners that have landed tuna for the PFOI cannery in the port of Antsiranana in 2014.

- Resolution 11/04 On a Regional observer scheme

CPCs shall provide to the Executive Secretary and the Scientific Committee annually a report of the number of vessels monitored and the coverage achieved by gear type in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.

For 2014 deployments, the reports have been sent to the IOTC Secretariat by email on 04, 09 and 10 February 2015, and subsequently sent by registered letter.

- Resolution 12/04 On marine turtles

CPCs shall report to the Commission, in accordance with Article X of the IOTC Agreement, their progress of implementation of the FAO Guidelines and this Resolution.

This resolution has been transcribed in the domestic legislation through Decree No 162666/2014, dated 28/03/14.

- Resolution 14/06 On establishing a programme for transhipment by large-scale fishing vessels

Each flag CPC of the LSTV shall include in its annual report each year to IOTC the details on the transhipments in ports by its vessels (Name of LSTV, IOTC Number, name of carrier vessel, species and quantity transhipped, date and location of transhipment). *[A template report exists].*

The details on transhipment in ports for 2014 have already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:

Yes **Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY):** [Click here to enter text.](#)

No

The details on transhipment in ports for 2014 are attached to the implementation report:

Yes No

Additional information:

Not applicable, as no vessel flying the flag of Madagascar has transhipped in foreign ports.

Vessels flying the flag of Madagascar are not authorized to tranship at sea.

- Resolution 12/12 To Prohibit the use of large-scale driftnets on the high seas in the IOTC Area

CPCs shall include in their Annual Reports a summary of monitoring, control, and surveillance actions related to large-scale driftnet fishing on the high seas in the IOTC area of competence.

Vessels flying the flag of Madagascar are only longliners and do not use large-scale driftnets. The Draft Decree banning the use of large-scale driftnets has been submitted to the IOTC Secretariat on 10/12/14.

- Resolution 13/04 On the conservation of cetaceans

CPCs shall report, in accordance with Article X of the IOTC Agreement, any instances in which cetaceans have been encircled by the purse seine nets of their flagged vessels.

Not applicable, as Madagascar does not have any purse seiners yet. The prohibition of killing, harming and capturing marine mammals is included in Ordinance 93-022 dated 04/05/93 regulating fisheries and aquaculture (Article 9).

- Resolution 13/05 On the conservation of whale sharks (*Rhincodon typus*)

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Not applicable, as Madagascar does not have any purse seiners yet, fishing tuna and their bycatch species.

- Resolution 14/05 Concerning A Record Of Licensed Foreign Vessels Fishing For IOTC Species In The IOTC Area Of Competence And Access Agreement Information

For Government to Government access agreement in existence prior to the entry into force of this resolution, where coastal CPCs allow foreign-flagged vessels to fish in waters in their EEZ in the IOTC Area for species managed by IOTC through a CPC-to-CPC agreement, CPCs involved in the referred agreement:

- Shall submit copy of the access agreement,
- Shall submit information concerning these agreements (paragraphs 3a, b, c, d, e, f, g),

A report template exists and can be requested at secretariat@iotc.org

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