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Dear Sir/Madam

DATA CALL RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IOTC RESOLUTION 16/06 ON MEASURES APPLICABLE IN CASE OF NON FULFILMENT OF REPORTING OBLIGATIONS IN THE IOTC

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On behalf of the Chairperson of the IOTC Scientific Committee (Dr Hilario Murua), please find below a template table to provide information about the availability of catches for the year 2016.

Please communicate this request to your data managers, scientists and other relevant parties at your earliest convenience, noting that, in order to be tabled at the Compliance Committee in May the deadline for submission is 8 April 2018.

Yours sincerely



Christopher O'Brien
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

- Tables to assist the submission of data relating to Resolution 16/06

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“Data review year (Starting in 2016 and annually thereafter): The IOTC Secretariat, in consultation with the Scientific Committee will include in the compliance report information detailing data submission status by species or stock (e.g. complete, incomplete, or missing) for each CPC” [para. 2 Resolution 16/06, Annex I].

This matter was discussed by the SC20 in December 2017¹, leading to the following recommendation to the Commission and requests to CPCs:

*“The SC **RECOMMENDED** that Resolution 15/02 Mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC Contracting Parties and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties (CPCs) be reviewed to include the mandatory reporting of zero catches for all species under the mandate of IOTC, in order to support the implementation of IOTC Resolution 16/06 On measures applicable in case of non fulfilment of reporting obligations in the IOTC.*

*The SC **REQUESTED** the Secretariat distribute a circular requesting that zero catches (for 2016 data) are submitted prior to the next Compliance Committee meeting in 2018, and **REQUESTED** that the IOTC Secretariat also liaise with other RFMOs, and in particular ICCAT, to exchange common practices on the reporting of zero catches by CPCs”.[IOTC-2017-SC20-R, para. 13-14].*

To assist with standardisation of data submissions, CPCs are requested to complete the following table/s with a summary report of their nominal catches **for 2016** by March 31st 2018 using the following convention (one value per cell):

Cell value	Description
REP	(Positive) nominal catches reported
ZERO	Zero nominal catches reported
UNA	Nominal catches are unavailable - <i>Please provide additional explanations</i>
NA	Not applicable - <i>Please provide additional explanations</i>

An electronic version of the table is available for download (as a macro-enabled Excel file) at the following link:
http://www.iotc.org/sites/default/files/documents/data/Form_DR16_06.zip

¹ Paper IOTC-2017-SC20-14

Species code	Species (EN)	Species (FR)	Longline	Purse seine	Gillnet	Pole and line	Handline	Trolling
IOTC Species								
BET	<i>Bigeye tuna</i>	<i>Patudo / Thon obèse</i>	REP/ZERO/UNA/NA	...	...	...	...	...
YFT	<i>Yellowfin tuna</i>	<i>Albacore</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
SKJ	<i>Skipjack tuna</i>	<i>Listao</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
ALB	<i>Albacore</i>	<i>Germon</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
SBF	<i>Southern bluefin tuna</i>	<i>Thon rouge du Sud</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
SWO	<i>Swordfish</i>	<i>Espadon</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
MLS	<i>Striped marlin</i>	<i>Marlin rayé</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
BLM	<i>Black marlin</i>	<i>Makaire noir</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
BUM	<i>Blue marlin</i>	<i>Makaire bleu</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
SFA	<i>Indo-pacific sailfish</i>	<i>Voilier indo-pacifique</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
LOT	<i>Longtail tuna</i>	<i>Thon mignon</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
FRI	<i>Frigate tuna</i>	<i>Auxide</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
BLT	<i>Bullet tuna</i>	<i>Bonitou</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
KAW	<i>Kawakawa</i>	<i>Thonine orientale</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
COM	<i>Narrow barred Spanish mackerel</i>	<i>Thazard rayé indo-pacifique</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
GUT	<i>Indo-Pacific king mackerel</i>	<i>Thazard ponctué indo-pacifique</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
Non-IOTC Species								
SSP	<i>Shortbill spearfish</i>	<i>Makaire à rostre court</i>	REP/ZERO/UNA/NA	...	...	...	...	...
BSH	<i>Blue shark</i>	<i>Peau bleue</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
POR	<i>Porbeagle shark</i>	<i>Requin-taupe commun</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
FAL	<i>Silky shark</i>	<i>Requin soyeux</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
SPN	<i>Hammerhead sharks</i>	<i>Requins marteau nca</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
MAK	<i>Mako sharks</i>	<i>Taupes</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
SKH	<i>Other sharks</i>	<i>Requins divers nca</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
MAN	<i>Mantas and devil rays</i>	<i>Mantes et rayes</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
MZZ	<i>Other bony fishes</i>	<i>Poissons marins nca</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...

Data submitted to the IOTC under this data call are subject to Resolution 12/02 *Data confidentiality policy and procedures*

Appendix I provides a summary of the current status of reporting of nominal catches by CPC according to the requirements as defined in Resolutions 15/01 and 15/02. This information is provided for 2016, the first year for which a data review is requested in Resolution 16/06. These tables highlight which CPCs have not reported species by gear type (including zero reports as mentioned in the Resolution) and also the level of catches where they are reported. Where it is known that the information has not been provided for all vessels, this is also highlighted as partially available data. These tables will be updated following the outcome of this data call and provided to facilitate discussions by the Compliance Committee on whether the nominal catch information is likely to be *complete*, *incomplete* or *missing*, as requested by the Commission.

APPENDIX I

Table 1. Nominal catches by species for the longline fleets, for 2016.

Fleet	Albacore	Bigeye tuna	Yellowfin tuna	Skipjack tuna	Southern bluefin tuna	Black marlin	Blue marlin	Indo-Pacific sailfish	Striped marlin	Swordfish	Shortbill spearfish	Other bony fishes	Blue shark	Mako sharks	Porbeagle shark	Silky shark	Hammerhead sharks	Mantas and devil rays	Tiger shark	Crocodile shark	Great white shark	Pelagic stingray	Other sharks	Thresher sharks	Oceanic whitetip shark
Australia		30.1	69.4	65.8	0.1	132.3			0.9	133.8	0.2	0.2	DISC						DISC			DISC	DISC		DISC
China	CHN	1,920.0	4,086.2	1,812.2		12.8	926.0		424.4	1,176.1			49.0		0.0	DISC	DISC							DISC	DISC
	TWN	20,374.4	15,253.9	16,957.8	230.8	1,011.6	519.7	5,367.4	487.3	1,241.2	7,686.5	59.8	5,307.4	1,197.7	0.0	568.5	28.5						126.0		
EU	ESP	90.9	295.6	170.8	0.0	0.0	5.9	20.6	67.4	43.5	3,354.3	7.3	3,592.5												
	FRA	232.2	343.1	322.2		0.0	25.1	96.2	16.4	11.2	792.8	7.7	DISC	DISC		DISC	DISC		DISC	DISC		DISC	DISC	DISC	
	GBR	2.1		41.8		0.0		3.5	1.7		203.7		172.4							DISC	DISC				
	PRT	14.6	158.3	125.6		0.0	27.9	34.5	6.3	24.0	1,540.8		1,538.2												
India			0.2	2,798.4	1,339.1		1,458.9	0.6	1,036.3		201.2												1,314.0		6.3
Indonesia		5,570.8	6,962.5	17,795.7	14.4		742.0	3,949.3	17.5	1,252.6	10,898.9	145.4	4,256.8	182.3		297.9	19.3						444.5		
Japan		2,336.8	4,031.4	2,976.2	8.3	1,621.9	48.6	122.0	33.6	96.5	719.9		597.8		28.0										
Korea		180.5	310.0	1,276.0	3.0	189.0	18.0	88.0	24.0	55.0	86.0		240.0	DISC	4.0								6.0	DISC	
Madagascar		79.6	56.1	60.7			0.2		2.1	14.5	43.6		36.1												
Malaysia		1,330.6	124.0	155.9						41.6			DISC										4.7		
Maldives		5.0	361.0	285.8	0.9		0.1	71.4	2.1	35.1	100.5		DISC			DISC	DISC						DISC		DISC
Mauritius		28.8	34.2	63.3	1.5		6.3	6.7	2.2	1.9	78.4														
Mozambique		0.3	14.9	20.9	4.0	2.1	10.0	4.2	5.9	6.0	36.1	1.5	0.7										0.3		
Oman		3.6	4.0						0.2																
Seychelles		198.3	5,435.5	3,246.6	9.3		1,040.0	149.3	38.7	391.7	2,016.7	8.9	178.1	390.6	69.3	0.0	0.5						29.8	0.3	0.2
South Africa		5.5	34.0	183.5		5.6	1.4	0.8		1.5	85.4		169.0						DISC						
Sri Lanka		6.1	938.9	3,938.6	39.7		356.6	264.0	147.8	3.2	559.5		165.1	35.9		53.8							0.3	DISC	DISC
Tanzania		16.7	112.7	109.4			17.7	2.9	4.2	26.8	37.9		17.3												
Kenya																									

Colour key:

Catch data available	
Catch partially available	
No catches reported (unclear if zeros or non-reporting)	

NB: “DISC” = discard data have been formally reported for the fleet

Table 2. Nominal catches by species for the purse seine fleets, for 2016.

Fleet	Albacore	Bigeye tuna	Yellowfin tuna	Skipjack tuna	Southern bluefin tuna	Kawakawa	Longtail tuna	Narrow barred Spanish mackerel	Frigate tuna	Bullet tuna	Indo-Pacific king mackerel	Black marlin	Blue marlin	Striped marlin	Swordfish	Indo-Pacific sailfish	Thresher sharks	Oceanic whitetip shark	Silky sharks
Australia					5,012.3														
EU	ESP	22.1	9,371.5	51,488.9	75,263.8														
	ITA	5.0	110.0	1,594.0	1,734.0														
	FRA	227.6	3,425.0	33,718.8	30,875.9		DISC		DISC			3.8	9.8	2.1		DISC		DISC	DISC
Iran			137.9	3,465.5	1,202.0		0.0	50.0	0.0			0.0				0.0			0.0
Japan			258.0	422.0	2,357.0												0.0	0.0	
Korea	14.0	604.0	10,347.0	13,670.0															
Mauritius	54.5	529.7	7,404.1	3,788.2					DISC									DISC	DISC
Seychelles	110.2	7,303.7	40,014.2	60,746.7			1.1												
Thailand						9.2	1.9	0.2											
Indonesia	100.6	5,643.4	4,999.6	34,739.8		16,888.0	20.7	4,969.2	5,096.8	248.8		382.7	14.4	33.1	77.9	158.9			

Table 3. Nominal catches by species for the gillnet fleets, for 2016.

Fleet	Albacore	Bigeye tuna	Yellowfin tuna	Skipjack tuna	Southern bluefin tuna	Bullet tuna	Narrow barred Spanish mackerel	Frigate tuna	Indo-Pacific king mackerel	Kawakawa	Longtail tuna	Other bony fish	Indo-Pacific sailfish	Swordfish	Shortbill spearfish	Marlins	Hammerhead sharks	Mako sharks	Blue shark	Porbeagle shark	Other sharks
Australia			0.5								0.5	1.0									
Bangladesh							505.5		350.5												624.5
Comoros	3.0	164.2	905.1	548.9		6.2		10.4		49.8	6.0		234.6	500.1					60.1		
Eritrea																					
Indonesia	61.2	1,367.6	304.4	12,015.7		518.1	17,000.2	10,271.1	8,342.5	7,485.8	9,962.6		373.6	58.8			12.7	7.2	1,235.7		
India		0.9	3,974.3	799.3		1,122.5	19,735.4	1,682.9	9,699.1	18,355.3	7,034.7		2,709.0	868.6							13,014.0
Iran		2,930.6	35,110.3	37,956.0			20,759.1	10,238.3	7,501.2	33,676.7	54,596.4		7,552.4	887.3			19.6				448.5
Kenya																					
Sri Lanka	8.4	211.5	5,468.6	27,991.7		300.6	2,681.1	1,332.1	141.4	1,578.7		1,003.9	961.9	900.6		8.3			155.2		610.9
Mozambique							394.7	32.7			1.5						329.0				
Malaysia							1,878.0		854.5	12.1	945.2										
Oman			6,913.7	214.7			5,264.0	813.4		3,490.6	7,369.5		582.5	136.0		550.482	167.7				1,987.1
Pakistan			7,533.2	5,483.3		420.6	5,854.1	2,551.6	1,832.8	13,528.9	14,041.4		4,472.0	693.0							7,011.0
Tanzania		217.8	2,092.1				1,470.9			1,027.5				1,174.7		754.5					1,658.2
Yemen																					

Table 4. Nominal catches by species for the pole and line fleets, for 2016.

Fleet	Albacore	Bigeye tuna	Yellowfin tuna	Skipjack tuna	bullet tuna	Frigate	Kawakawa	Longtail tuna	Narrow barred Spanish mackerel	Other bony fish	Sharks	Marine turtles
Indonesia			431.7	2,918.6		52.6	1.1	72.1				
India			317.0	6,752.0		50.0						
Sri Lanka			1,042.9	3,621.1	20.8	24.4	399.8					
Maldives		781.1	8,550.2	68,711.9		124.0	26.2			28.5		

Table 5. Nominal catches by species for the handline fleets, for 2016.

Fleet	Bigeye tuna	Yellowfin tuna	Skipjack tuna	Black marlin	Indo-Pacific sailfish	Indo-Pacific king mackerel	Bullet tuna	Kawakawa	Longtail tuna	Narrow barred Spanish mackerel	Frigate tuna	Other fishes	Rays	Sharks
Australia	0.5	0.129	0.5						8.277	14.446				
Comoros	101.768	2274.667	132.613	114.368	559.642	3.514	1.088	22.504	31.326					
European Union	France	52.1			9.1									
	Reunion	19.788	475.722	18.19	37.983	2.595						3.045		
UK OT (BIOT)		2.075	0.251					1.033						
Indonesia	5910.406	9904.947	10083.781	950.844	410.943	1582.038	16.846	8693.184	6607.932	6020.058	23452.563			
India	0.527	2350.729	412.826	1066.107	2373.743	1177.343	1783.55	3965.615	325.045	2395.626	190.869	3.085		
Iran		5760												
Kenya														
Sri Lanka	3060.899	17647.031	3981.878	1778.611	449.026		71.9	554.373		58.2	1138.77		251.1	981.593
Maldives	1329.032	44825.762	867.77	69.276	12.027			1.835			15.72	66.174		
Mozambique	3.4	24.02			3.05					953.91				76.8
Mauritius		86.749	20.535											
Oman		13934.715	0.964	178.784	98.646			1337.69	4625.23	1184.858	233.051			3102.899
Seychelles		0.1						69.6						21.75
Tanzania														
Yemen														

Table 6. Nominal catches by species for the troll line fleets, for 2016.

Fleet	Albacore	Bigeye tuna	Yellowfin tuna	Skipjack tuna	Swordfish	Black marlin	Blue marlin	Striped marlin	Indo-Pacific sailfish	Bullet tuna	Frigate tuna	Indo-Pacific king mackerel	Kawakawa	Longtail tuna	Narrow barred Spanish mackerel	Other fishes	Rays	Sharks
Australia			0.26	0.5										0.5	261.45			
Comoros	6.882	617.059	2403.991	4941.874	73.554	18.24	22.006	1.913	10.655	0.52	1.089		56.829	1.842	0.079			
European Union(Fand		3.3	36.4	71.8									16.4					
Indonesia	290.96	855.615	2526.688	10581.034	9.611	84.085	78.681	41.694	28.167	194.939	5803.703	163.65	3261.979	2588.175	3410.283			
India		1.281	5714.028	5536.84	60.354	94.206			188.24	0.226	520.682		1153.124	50.637		8.227		7693
Iran			774.71						256.871		5.82	157.727	230.575	500.519	2922.253			59.312
Kenya																		
Sri Lanka		729.9	3441.36	2282.108	460.8	283.6	25.9	0.3	69.2	131.92	554.879		1815.531		7.8		38	0.1
Madagascar																		
Maldives		8.903	43.617	8.843					1.227		3.47		1.965			3.955		
Mozambique			2.72	0.361		0.032			0.188		0.006		0.05		1.236			
Malaysia												0.461		0.13	2.169			
Oman																		
Tanzania																		
South Africa	5.78																	