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Dear Sir/Madam

DISSEMINATION OF ALLOCATION ESTIMATIONS AND ASSOCIATED INFORMATION

During its 22nd Session the Commission agreed to a Consolidated Program of Work for allocation of fishing opportunities (2018-19) which included the requirement for the contracting of an Independent Consultant to develop allocation models based on estimations of Catch Histories as outlined in Appendix 6 of the meeting report ([IOTC-2018-S22-R](#)). A consultant was subsequently contracted following a vote by Member states (<http://www.iotc.org/news/selection-consultant-develop-allocation-models>).

In order to make the allocation modelling process as transparent as possible, the Secretariat has created a dedicated page on the IOTC website for allocation issues. You can find the details at <http://www.iotc.org/allocation-estimations>. All updates to the process including estimations and key correspondence, will be uploaded to this hub to keep all member states informed.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat with any queries regarding this issue.

Yours sincerely



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