

Provide recommendations to the Compliance Committee to assist CPCs in the design and implementation of national MCS systems

Review and endorse the template of the national MCS programme report

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PURPOSE

To encourage participants at the Working Party on the Implementation of Conservation and Management Measures (WPICMM) to review and finalise the template for national MCS programme report.

BACKGROUND

The component 11 / sub-component 11.1 of the work Plan of the WPICMM comprise the following activities:

11	Provide recommendations to the Compliance Committee to assist CPCs in the design and implementation of national MCS systems
11.1	<i>Design and implementation of national MCS systems</i>
11.1.1	Define minimum MCS requirement for relevant CMMs
11.1.2	CPCs to provide a report/paper on their national MCS programs
11.1.3	Evaluation of CPCs national MCS programs against the minimum requirement for CMMs
11.1.4	Provide recommendations to the Compliance Committee to assist CPCs in the design and implementation of national MCS systems based on their capacity and needs

DISCUSSION

The work plan of the Working Party on the Implementation of Conservation and Management measures (WPICMM), component 11 “Provide recommendations to the Compliance Committee to assist CPCs in the design and implementation of national MCS systems”, sub-component 11.1 makes provision for CPCs to provide a paper/report on their national Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) programme (Activity 11.1.2).

To facilitate and standardize the reporting, the IOTC Secretariat has drafted a MCS template report for review and comments by CPCs. The template was provided to CPCs by email the 17 October 2018. CPCs were invited to provide comments on the MCS template report (e.g. modify or add section(s)) by 31 December 2018. Five CPCs have provided a response to the invitation for comments (Australia, Indonesia, Mauritius, Seychelles and Thailand), and the IOTC Secretariat has consolidated the list of comments and a new draft template report is presented to the WPICMM02 for finalisation and endorsement.

The report on national Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) programme will have to be completed and submitted to the WPICMM03 in 2020 with the objective to provide recommendations to the Compliance Committee to assist CPCs in the design and implementation of national MCS systems based on their capacity and needs.

We would like to invite the WPCIMM02 to finalise and endorse the template national MCS report, presented as information paper IOTC-2019-WPICMM02-10a – Draft Template of the Report on national Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) programme.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the WPICMM02:

- 1) **NOTE** paper IOTC-2019-WPICMM02-10 - Review and endorse the template of the national MCS programme report,
- 2) **NOTE** paper IOTC-2019-WPICMM02-10a – Draft Template of the Report on national Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) programme and **REVIEW AND FINALISE** the Draft Template of the Report on national Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) programme taking into consideration the comments received by the CPCs,
- 3) **CONSIDER** if the IOTC Secretariat should distribute the finalised national MCS template report for completion by CPCs for the WPICMM03 in 2020.