

Information paper

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This paper presents information on IUU activities concerning:

- The vessel Malshiri No.1 flagged to Sri Lanka (appendix 1),
- The vessel Gold Marine 5 flagged to Sri Lanka (appendix 2).

Appendix 1 - The vessel Malshiri No.1 flagged to Sri Lanka.**A. Details of Vessel**

Item	Definition	Indicate
a	Current Name of Vessel (Previous name/s, if any)	Malshiri No.1
b	Current Flag (Previous flags/s, if any)	Sri Lanka
C	Date first included on IOTC IUU Vessel List (if applicable)	
d	Lloyds IMO Number, if available	
e	Photo	attached
f	Call Sign (Previous call sign, if any)	
g	Owner/Beneficial Owners/s (previous owner/s, if any)	Unknown
h	Operator (previous operator/s if any) and Master/Fishing Master	Kankahewage Amith Pushpa Kumara (Skipper)
I	Date of alleged IUU fishing activities	23 February 2013
J	Position of alleged IUU activities	13° 53'S and 60° 35'E
K	Summary of alleged activities (see section B for more detail)	Suspected fishing in the EEZ of Mauritius without a valid fishing licence
L	Summary of any Actions known to have been taken in respect of the alleged IUU fishing activities	Vessel was escorted to Port Louis by Malagassy Patrol vessel "Atsantsa" which was patrolling the EEZ of Mauritius during a Joint surveillance mission in the context of the Indian Ocean Commission's Plan Regional de Surveillance des Peches
m	Outcome of Actions taken	Case was tried in court skipper was not found guilty of engaging in illegal fishing and the boat was not forfeited. However, the Skipper was fined for other offences such as failing to inform of entry in the EEZ and failing to keep the gear stowed while being in the Maritime zones.

B. Details of IOTC Resolution Elements Contravened

Item	Definition	Indicate
a	Harvest tuna or tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence and are not registered on the IOTC Record of Vessels authorized to fish for tuna and tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence	
b	Harvest tuna or tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence, when their flag state is without sufficient quotas, catch limit or effort allocation under the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures where applicable	
c	Do not record or report their catches made in the IOTC area of competence in accordance with IOTC reporting requirements, or make false reports	
d	Take or land undersized fish in contravention of the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures	
e	Fish during closed fishing periods or in closed areas in contravention of the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures	
f	Use prohibited fishing gear in contravention of the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures	
g	Transship with, or participate in joint operations such as re-supplying or re-fuelling, vessels included in the IUU Vessels List.	
h	Harvest tuna or tuna-like species in the waters under the national jurisdiction of a coastal state in the IOTC area of competence without the authorization and/or infringes the coastal state's laws and regulations (skipper was found guilty of infringing the state's laws and regulations.	X
i	Are without any nationality and harvest tuna or tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence	
j	Engage in fishing or fishing related activities contrary to any other IOTC Conservation and Management Measures	

C. Associated Documents**D. Recommended Actions**

Recommended Actions		Indicate
a	Notification to IOTC Secretariat only, No further action is recommended	X
b	Notification of illegal activity to IOTC Secretariat. Recommended notification of activity to flag state	
c	Recommended for inclusion on the IOTC IUU list	



Photograph of the vessel Malshiri No.1 flagged to Sri Lanka

Appendix 2 - The vessel Gold Marine 5 flagged to Sri Lanka**A. Details of Vessel**

Item	Definition	Indicate
a	Current Name of Vessel (Previous name/s, if any)	Gold Marine 5 (GM5)
b	Current Flag (Previous flags/s, if any)	Sri Lanka
C	Date first included on IOTC IUU Vessel List (if applicable)	
d	Lloyds IMO Number, if available	
e	Photo	attached
f	Call Sign (Previous call sign, if any)	
g	Owner/Beneficial Owners/s (previous owner/s, if any)	Unknown
h	Operator (previous operator/s if any) and Master/Fishing Master	Kariyakarawana Patabandige Meryl Niroshan (Skipper)
I	Date of alleged IUU fishing activities	23 February 2013
J	Position of alleged IUU activities	13 ⁰ 53'S and 60 ⁰ 35'E
K	Summary of alleged activities (see section B for more detail)	Fishing in the EEZ of Mauritius without a valid fishing licence
L	Summary of any Actions known to have been taken in respect of the alleged IUU fishing activities	Vessel was escorted to Port Louis by Malagassy Patrol vessel "Atsantsa" which was patrolling the EEZ of Mauritius during a Joint surveillance mission in the context of the Indian Ocean Commission's Plan Regional de Surveillance des Peches
m	Outcome of Actions taken	Case was tried in court. The Skipper was found guilty of using a foreign fishing vessel for fishing within the maritime zone without a licence. He was fined and the vessel declared forfeited.

B. Details of IOTC Resolution Elements Contravened

Item	Definition	Indicate
a	Harvest tuna / tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence and are not registered on the IOTC Record of Vessels authorized to fish for tuna and tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence	X
b	Harvest tuna or tuna-like species in the IOTC area of competence, when their flag state is without sufficient quotas, catch limit or effort allocation under the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures where applicable	
c	Do not record or report their catches made in the IOTC area of competence in accordance with IOTC reporting requirements, or make false reports	
d	Take or land undersized fish in contravention of the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures	
e	Fish during closed fishing periods or in closed areas in contravention of the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures	
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