

Report of Implementation for the year 2014

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Reporting CPC: MALAYSIA

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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
Malaysia takes note on this resolution. No action is required.
2. Resolution 14/02 For the conservation and management of tropical tunas stocks in the IOTC area of competence
Malaysia takes note on this resolution.
3. Resolution 14/03 On enhancing the dialogue between fisheries scientists and managers
Malaysia has participated in The 3rd Workshop on Connecting the IOTC Science and Management Processes held in Bangkok, Thailand as to show support on this resolution.
4. Resolution 14/04 Concerning the IOTC record of vessels authorised to operate in the IOTC area of competence^a
Malaysia has updated the IOTC record of Authorised Vessels to operate in the IOTC area of competence submitted on 11 July 2014. Malaysia has sent the template of Authorisation to Fish (ATF) to the IOTC on 17 February 2015.
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
No Foreign Fishing Vessels were licensed by Malaysia in 2014. Report submitted on 13 February 2015.
6. Resolution 14/06 On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels^a
Malaysia has submitted the At Sea Transshipment Report to the Secretariat on 13 October 2014 & the Annual Report on 5 January 2015.

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>

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.*

Conservation and management measures adopted by IOTC are mostly covered under Malaysia Fisheries Act 1985.

Effective from 2014, All Malaysian fishing vessels are prohibited to practice shark finning in the Malaysia fisheries water.

Since 2006, All Malaysian deep sea fishing vessels (> 70GRT) are required to install and activate the Mobile Transceiver Unit (MTU) to be monitored by VMS.

All Malaysian fishing vessels are not allowed to fish outside Malaysia EEZ (including IOTC area of competence) without the permission from the Director General of Fisheries.

Authorisation to Fish (ATF) have been issued to the Authorised Fishing Vessels to fish in the IOTC area of competence in July 2014.

Additional of five (5) species of sharks and two (2) species of manta rays will be listed in the CITES Act 1998.

The revised NPOA Sharks 2014 have been published in December 2014.

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:

Not Applicable

- 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”.

All AFV's under Malaysian flag are required to comply with the minimum management standard before issuing or renewing the license.

- 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.

Malaysia has submitted annual report on any interaction with seabirds to the IOTC. Vessel operators have been informed to comply and take action within the purview of this resolution. Malaysia LSTV installed Tori Line and Line Weighting as seabird mitigation measures.

- 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 transshipment 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 transshipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products landed or transhipped in port in 2014 is attached to the implementation report:

Yes No

Additional information:

Not Applicable.

- 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.

Malaysia has only 10 LSTV operating in the IOTC area of competence.

- 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.

Malaysia is fully committed in conservation and management of marine turtles. Under Section 27 of Malaysia Fisheries Act 1985, (1) No person shall fish for, disturb, harass, catch or take any aquatic mammal or turtle which is found beyond the jurisdiction of any state in Malaysia. Malaysia's National Plan of Action for Sea Turtles has been published in 2008.

- Resolution 14/06 On establishing a programme for transshipment 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 transshipments in ports by its vessels (Name of LSTV, IOTC Number, name of carrier vessel, species and quantity transhipped, date and location of transshipment). *[A template report exists].*

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

Yes Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY): 13 October 2014

No

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

Yes No

Additional information:

The details of at sea transshipment at sea in 2013 have been submitted to the secretariat.

- 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.

No Malaysian fishing vessels operated as large-scale driftnet, fishing on the high seas in the area IOTC area of competence.

- 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.

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

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.

- 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

No Foreign Fishing Vessels were licensed by Malaysia in 2014. Not Applicable.