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MINISTRE DE LA PECHE ET DE
L'ECONOMIE MARITIME

N° 0339

MPEM/DPM/MS/mga

Dakar, le 14 FEV 2017

The Minister,

Subject: Application for renewal of Senegal's status as a Cooperating Non Contracting Party of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission

Mister Executive Secretary,

I inform you that Senegal is asking for the renewal of its status as a Cooperating Non Contracting Party of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission for the 2017-2018 period.

Senegal wishes to maintain its status as a Cooperating Non Contracting Party, which was granted to it by the Commission in 2005. Maintaining this status will allow the Senegalese fleet to return in the Indian Ocean as soon as the technical conditions will allow.

Furthermore, catch data have been submitted to IOTC for the period when Senegalese vessels were present in the Convention Area [sic].

Nonetheless, I wish express that my country remains committed to becoming a Contracting Party of the IOTC, and to continue to exchange information with the Commission. To fulfil this commitment, my Department has asked the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Senegalese Abroad to complete the procedure to become a Member of IOTC.

Senegal remains fully committed to all Fisheries Conventions to which it is a signatory and participates actively to the works of Regional Fisheries Management Organisations pursuing the same goals as that of the IOTC.

You will find hereby attached a declaration of commitment.

Please accept, Mr Executive Secretary, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

A
Monsieur le Secrétaire exécutif
de la Commission des thons de l'Océan indien
Mahé, Seychelles



Oumar GUEYE



Dakar, le 14 FEV 2017

THE MINISTER,

DECLARATION OF COMMITMENT

The Minister of Fisheries and Maritime Economy hereby commits on behalf of Senegal:

- to enforce the application of the Conservation and Management Measures under the IOTC Convention *[sic]* and,
- to ensure the strict application of the aforementioned IOTC Conservation and Management Measures by its vessels.

In witness whereof, the present commitment is established for all legal intents and purposes.

