

## IOTC Agreement – Article X

### Report of Implementation for the year 2016

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT 17 MARCH 2017**

Reporting CPC: United Republic, Tanzania

Date of submission: 16/3/2017

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*Please NOTE: this document is composed of 3 sections to report on the implementation of IOTC Resolutions*

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**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 Twentieth Session.*

- Resolution 16/01 On an Interim Plan for Rebuilding the Indian Ocean Yellowfin tuna Stock in the IOTC area of competence

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**The report on methods for achieving the YFT catch reductions has already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:**

Yes       Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY): 09/02/2017  
No

Additional information:

Tanzania has provided information to the Secretariat with regards to this Resolution.

Tanzania reiterates that the catches communicated to the Secretariat for its gillnet fleet in 2014, were for the artisanal/coastal fleet, which operates uniquely within the Tanzanian EEZ. Consequently Tanzania does not have to implement this Resolution. However, if the situation within the fleet of the Tanzanian gillnet fleet changes, to fall within the requirement of this Resolution, Tanzania will inform the Commission of action(s) that it will take to implement this Resolution.

Consideration on how this Resolution can be transposed in the Fisheries Regulations of Tanzania is already underway.

- Resolution 16/02 On harvest control rules for Skipjack tuna in the IOTC area of competence.  
For this Resolution it is the Commission that shall decide on the catch limit for skipjack. Tanzania does not currently have a fishery targeting skipjack.
- Resolution 16/03 On the second performance review follow-up  
Tanzania will participate in any future work of the Technical Committee on the recommendations of the Panel on the IOTC Performance Review.

- Resolution 16/04 On the implementation of a Pilot project in view of promoting the Regional observer scheme of IOTC

Tanzania has trained 11 Scientific Observer at CapFish - Cape Town, South Africa, through the SWIOFish Project 1 for National activities as well Regional according to minimum condition for the Regional Observer Scheme. Tanzania notes that the Secretariat and the Chairs of the SC and WPEB have been tasked to progress the work for setting up the Pilot Project.

- Resolution 16/05 On vessels without nationality

Tanzania has implementing the Resolution by upgrade the VMS system from Met fishery to Themes System in order to expand wide range for monitoring all fishing vessels enter EEZ Tanzania through AIS system.

In addition, Tanzania continues to conducting air patrol and sea patrol through joint venture with IOC SmartFish PRSP within the Regional Mission in order to combat and Curb IUU Fishing within Tanzanian waters.

Furthermore we have national MCS Committee for Curb IUU Fishing within Tanzania waters namely MAT ( Multi Agency Taskforce) which including, Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Home Affair, Ministry of Natural Resources and Tanzania Intelligent System. Therefore implementation of Resolution has already done.

Consideration on how this Resolution can be transposed in the Fisheries Regulations of Tanzania is already underway.

- Resolution 16/06 On measures applicable in case of non fulfilment of reporting obligations in the IOTC

*“NOTING that incomplete reporting or no data reporting and that, despite the adoption of numerous measures intended to address the matter, lack of compliance with reporting obligations is still a problem for the Scientific Committee and for the Commission;”*

Actions taken to implement their reporting obligations for all IOTC fisheries (in terms of Resolutions 15/01 and 15/02), including shark species caught in association with IOTC fisheries, and in particular the steps taken to improve their data collection for direct and incidental catches.

*Note: where applicable, please report actions separately for artisanal (coastal), and industrial IOTC fisheries:*



- **Action(s) to improve data collection that facilitate improvements in compliance in terms of IOTC mandatory reporting obligations (e.g. development or improvements in the implementation of logbooks, port-based sampling or related fisheries surveys, national observer scheme, vessel registry, electronic data capture, VMS, or on-board electronic monitoring):**

Tanzania has implemented the Resolution by upgrading its VMS from Met fishery to Themis System in order to expand the range for monitoring Tanzania vessels and also through AIS.

A pilot project for data collections for coastal fisheries started in 2015 and is ongoing. The expansion of the project from 5 to 8 districts is foreseen during 2017.

Tanzania has trained 11 Scientific Observer at CapFish - Cape Town, South Africa, through the SWIOFish Project 1, in January 2017.

Tanzania has installed a new data capture/processing system - Fisheries Information System (FIS).

- **Action(s) to improve data processing and reporting systems that facilitate submission of data to the IOTC Secretariat (e.g., development of fisheries databases and data dissemination systems, development of automated routines to process and extract IOTC data submissions, steps to minimise data entry errors):**

Tanzania has installed a new data capture/processing system - Fisheries Information System (FIS)

- **Action(s) to improve the quality and accuracy of data submitted to the IOTC Secretariat (e.g., steps to improvedata validation, improvements in sampling coverage, frame surveys, etc.; coherence of data with alternative fisheries datasets, comparability of data from previous years):**

The Deep Sea Fisheries Authority (DSFA) is working with the developer of FIS to improve the quality and accuracy of data which is entered into the system.

Additional information:

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- Resolution 16/07 On the use of artificial lights to attract fish

Tanzania has conducted stakeholders meetings in September and November 2016, to explain the type of fishing gears and methods which would be recommended by Tanzanian Fisheries Legislations and fisheries based on the use of artificial lights will not be permitted. Tanzania does not have any support, supply and auxiliary vessels flying its flag.

Consideration on how this Resolution can be transposed in the Fisheries Regulations of Tanzania is already underway

- Resolution 16/08 On the prohibition of the use of aircrafts and unmanned aerial vehicles as fishing aids

Tanzania does not have any purse seiners or other fishing vessels that would employ the use of aircraft.

- Resolution 16/09 On establishing a Technical Committee on Management Procedures  
Tanzania will participate in the work of the Technical committee on Management Procedures. Tanzania set aside budget for Officers to attend the meeting with regards IOTC issues and Implementation of IOTC activities.

- Resolution 16/10 To promote implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures

Tanzania is implementing Resolution by awareness and national training on IOTC Resolution for all Stakeholders from Government Institution and Non Governmental Institutions. Tanzania will coordinate with other CPCs in putting forward proposals for the consideration of the Commission.

- Resolution 16/11 On Port state measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing

Tanzania is implementing this resolution by ensuring Inspection of vessels are conducted according to IOTC PSM Resolution. Tanzania has participated in training organised by the IOTC Secretariat on PSMR. Also we have National MCS committee to ensure the dissemination of messages for all vessel calling Port in Tanzania whether its Legal or Illegal .

Tanzanian will at the end of this year ratify the FAO PSMA following National Meetings which were held in September and November 2016.

- Resolution 16/12 Working Party on the Implementation of Conservation and Management Measures (WPICMM)

Tanzania will participate in the work of this working party when they are organised.

Note: <sup>a</sup> 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.*

Tanzania, with the assistance of the IOTC Secretariat, is in the process of amending its Fisheries Law of the year 2009 to facilitate greater controls over Tanzanian flagged vessels fishing within the EEZ of Tanzania and also those fishing beyond EEZ of Tanzania.

**Part C.** Data and information reporting requirements for CPCs to be included in this report (please refer to the section “Implementation Report due by 17 March 2016” of the *Guide on data and information reporting requirements for Members and Cooperating Non-contracting Parties*, available for download at <http://www.iotc.org/compliance/reporting-templates>).

- 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].

**Nil report, specify the reason:**     No large scale longline vessels on the IOTC RAV  
 Do not export frozen big eye tuna

**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:  
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- 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”.

a. Management in the fishing grounds (of flag vessels).

	<i>Scientific Observer boarding</i>	<i>Satellite-based vessel monitoring system</i>	<i>Daily or required periodic catch report</i>	<i>Entry/Exit report</i>
<b>Yes, No?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Note</b>	% <a href="#">Click here to enter text.</a>	% or number of vessels 100%	Method Daily by e-mail	Method By e-mail

b. Management of transshipment (from the fishing grounds to the landing ports; of flag vessels)

	<i>Transshipment report</i>	<i>Port inspection</i>	<i>Statistical document program</i>
<b>Yes, No?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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c. Management at landing ports (of flag vessels).

	<i>Landing inspection</i>	<i>Landing reporting</i>	<i>Cooperation with other Parties</i>
Yes, No?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Note	Method BY e-mail	Method By e-mail	Cooperation is sought with third parties where Tanzania flag vessels use port facilities (South Africa and Mauritius)

Additional information:

TZA is implementing Observer program from 10th March 2016. One observer has been deployed on the Tanzanian flagged vessel TUNA BEST.

- 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].

**Nil report, specify the reason(s):**  No landing from foreign vessels in national ports  
 No transhipment by foreign vessels in national ports  
 Do not import tuna and tuna-like fish products

**The report on import, landing or transhipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products landed or transhipped in port in 2016 have already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:**

Yes  Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY): 15/02/2016  
 No

**The report on import, landing or transhipment of tuna and tuna-like fish products landed or transhipped in port in 2016 is attached to the implementation report:**

Yes  No

Additional information:

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- Resolution 11/02 Prohibition of fishing on data buoys

CPCs are to notify the IOTC Secretariat of all reports of observations of damaged data buoys.

Nil Report

**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:  
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- 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.

Type of gear	No of vessels monitored in 2015	Coverage in 2015 (%)
<b>Purse seine</b>	N/A	<a href="#">Click here to enter text.</a>
<b>Longline</b>	0	0
<b>Gillnet</b>	All artisanal/coastal [to be completed for No from Dept Fisheries]	56
<b>Bait Boat</b>	N/A	
<b>Hand line</b>	All artisanal/coastal [to be completed for No from Dept Fisheries]	46
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Additional information:  
A pilot project to establish a field sampling scheme started in May 2015 and is ongoing.

- 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.

The FAO Guidelines are being implemented by an NGO (Sea Sense) [Add links to Sea Sense website]. According to the Fisheries Act 2003 of Tanzania Mainland and Regulations 2009, stipulate the conservation of Marine Turtles and other rare and endangered species to be protected and conserved. Also, there is Marine Turtles Management Strategy in place, that was developed by Ministry of responsible for fisheries matters in Mainland Tanzania in collaboration with Sea.

- Resolution 12 /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.

Mitigation measures to prevent the accidental catch of sea birds are being implemented through the Terms and Conditions of the Authorization to Fish and licence. For the year 2016, no information on interactions were recorded for the Tanzanian fleet. None of the Tanzanian flagged longliners operated south of 25Deg South in the IOTC Area DURING 2016.

- 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 Report 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 Tanzanian flagged vessels operated with large-scale driftnets in the IOTC Area during 2016. DSFA Regulation 2009 is being amended to include the provisions on the ban of the use of large-scale driftnets.

- 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 (No PS vessels on the IOTC RAV in 2016);**

**No encirclement reported by flag vessels in 2016,**

**Encirclement reported by flag vessels in 2016 (Complete the table below):**

Name of the species	Number of instances of encirclement
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**Additional information:**

No information on interactions with cetaceans reported by longline fleet.

- 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 whale sharks have been encircled by the purse seine nets of their flagged vessels.

**Not applicable (No PS vessels on the IOTC RAV in 2016);**

**No encirclement reported by flag vessels in 2016,**

**Encirclement reported by flag vessels in 2016 (Complete the table below):**

Name of the species	Number of instances of encirclement
Whale sharks ( <i>Rhincodon typus</i> )	Click here to enter text.

**Additional information:**

No information on interactions with whale sharks reported by longline fleet.

- 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](mailto:secretariat@iotc.org)*

**Additional information:**

Tanzania does not currently have any Government to Government access agreement.

- Resolution 14/06 On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels (Report of flag vessels transshipping in foreign ports)

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 transhipment). *[A template report exists].*

**Nil report, specify the reason(s):**  No LSTVs on the RAV  
 Flag LSTVs do not tranship in foreign ports

**The details on transhipment in ports for 2016 have already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:**

Yes  **Date of reporting (DD/MM/YYYY):** [Click here to enter text.](#)  
No

**The details on transhipment in ports for 2016 are attached to the implementation report:**

Yes  No

Additional information:  
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- Resolution 15/04 Concerning the IOTC record of vessels authorised to operate in the IOTC Area of Competence.

CPCs shall review their own internal actions and measures taken pursuant to paragraph 7, including punitive actions and sanctions and, in a manner consistent with domestic law as regards disclosure, report the results of the review to the Commission annually. In consideration of the results of such review, the Commission shall, if appropriate, request the flag CPCs of AFVs on the IOTC Record to take further action to enhance compliance by those vessels with IOTC Conservation and Management Measures.

The flag CPCs of the vessels on the record shall:

- take measures to ensure that their AFVs comply with all the relevant IOTC Conservation and Management Measures;  
Describe the measures:

Actions taken (Warning Letter) against one flag vessel to rectify the use of bound logbook. The issue has been rectified.

- take measures to ensure that their AFVs on the IOTC Record keep on board valid certificates of vessel registration and valid authorisation to fish and/or tranship;  
Describe the measures:

These documents are required to be produced and verified whenever Tanzanian flag vessels are inspected by Tanzanian inspectors.

- ensure that their AFVs on the IOTC Record have no history of IUU fishing activities or that, if those vessels have such a history, the new owners have provided sufficient evidence demonstrating that the previous owners and operators have no legal, beneficial or financial interest in, or control over those vessels; the parties of the IUU incident have officially



resolved the matter and sanctions have been completed; or that having taken into account all relevant facts, their AFVs are not engaged in or associated with IUU fishing;

Describe the measures:

None of the Tanzanian flag vessels have a history of IUU fishing.

- ensure, to the extent possible under domestic law, that the owners and operators of their AFVs on the IOTC Record are not engaged in or associated with tuna fishing activities conducted by vessels not entered into the IOTC Record in the IOTC area of competence;

Describe the measures:

Provisions are available in the Authorisation to Fish. The DSFA Act/Regulations are being amended to also include these provisions.

- take measures to ensure, to the extent possible under domestic law, that the owners of the AFVs on the IOTC Record are citizens or legal entities within the flag CPCs so that any control or punitive actions can be effectively taken against them;

Describe the measures:

Maritime Transport Act , 2006 (Transport (Registration and Licensing of Vessels) Regulation,2007) Regulation 15 (1)(A) - Owners of Tanzania vessels are required by law to be citizens or legal entities within Tanzania.

- Resolution 15/08 Procedures on a fish aggregating devices (FADs) management plan, including a limitation on the number of FADs, more detailed specifications of catch reporting from FAD sets, and the development of improved FAD designs to reduce the incidence of entanglement of non-target species

From 2015 on, CPCs shall submit to the Commission, 60 days before the Annual Meeting, a report on the progress of the management plans of FADs, including reviews of the initially submitted Management Plans, and including reviews of the application of the principles set out in Annex III.

**Not applicable (No PS vessels on the IOTC RAV in 2016);**

**The report has already been provided to the IOTC Secretariat:**

Yes

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**The report is attached to the implementation report:**

Yes

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