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IOTC CIRCULAR 2018–05

Madam/Sir

MANDATORY REPORTING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IOTC CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

Pursuant to Article X.2 of the IOTC Agreement, each Contracting Party and Cooperating Non-Contracting Party shall transmit to the Commission, no later than 60 days before the next Commission Session, a statement of the actions it has taken under its national legislation during the previous year, including the imposition of adequate penalties for violations, as may be necessary, to make effective the provisions of the Agreement and to implement conservation and management measures which have become binding.

The template for reporting this information for the year 2017 can be downloaded from the IOTC web site: <u>click here</u>. CPCs are also encouraged to report on the actions they have taken in previous years that have not already been reported.

Implementation reports are to be submitted to the **IOTC Secretariat** no later than 16 March 2018.

Please note that the Implementation Report is a separate reporting requirement to the Compliance Questionnaire which has been requested in Circular 2018-04.

Thank you in advance for your prompt action on the matter, and please do not hesitate to contact the IOTC Secretariat if assistance is required in completing the Implementation Report.

Yours sincerely

Christopher O'Brien Executive Secretary

Attachments:

None

Distribution

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