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Madagascar

 $Response\ to\ Feedback\ letter\ received\ on\ 19.04.2018.$

 Has not reported nominal catch for the coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. Has not reported catch & effort for the coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. Has not reported size frequency for the coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	 The test phase of the methodology has been in place since August 2016 in a few landing sites. Installation of an output data collection system in 2017. → Data available from 2017
• Has not reported size frequency for sharks, as required by Resolution 05/05.	Weight frequency for sharks (blue sharks) attached.
 Has not provided all the mandatory information on the fleet development plan, as required by Resolution 15/11 (FDP finished in 2015) 	The fleet development plan is being updated and will be submitted shortly to the Secretariat.
 Has not reported nominal catch for sharks to IOTC standard (by species), as required by Resolution 05/05. 	Nominal catch for sharks is already included in the data reported on all IOTC species catches. Sharks catch amounts to 36,087 mt in 2016 and all the catches are blue sharks (<i>Prionace glauca</i>). Report submitted to the Secretariat on 07.07.17.
Hasn't finalized the designation of competent authorities in its ports, as required by Resolution 16/11	The Fishery Monitoring Center is the sole competent authority with regards to PSM for fishing vessels in Madagascar. Thus, the FMC is the sole authority recorded in the e-PSM.
• Has not provided the report on BET imports in the first half of 2016, as required by Resolution 01/06	The data are being processed and will be submitted shortly to the Secretariat.
• Has not provided the report on BET imports in the second half of 2016, as required by Resolution 01/06	The data are being processed and will be submitted shortly to the Secretariat.
 Has not implemented the ban on large- scale driftnets, as required by Resolution 12/12 	The decree regulating tuna fisheries, including the ban on large-scale driftnets, is being developed with the support of the IOTC and the IOC. It will be enacted this year.