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Dear Sir/Madam

### REQUEST FOR THE DELISTING OF TEN INDIAN VESSELS FROM THE IOTC IUU VESSELS LIST

I have received a request from India ([Click here](#)), for the removal of ten vessels from the IOTC Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Vessels List.

It was agreed at the 22nd Session of the Commission (in 2018) that India may request the removal of ten vessels from the IOTC IUU Vessels List upon the provision of evidence that vessel monitoring systems (VMS) have been installed on the vessels, and that the fine, imposed by India on the owner of the vessel BEO-HINGIS, has been paid. Verification that these actions have been carried out is provided in the attached document.

In addition, the Commission agreed that the intersessional vessel delisting procedures specified in Resolution 17/03 shall be applied to this matter, subject to the following:

- Where any CPC objects to the delisting of the vessels, the outcome of the CPCs decision on the proposal shall be determined according to the process outlined in paragraph 27 of Resolution 17/03.
- Otherwise, and exceptionally, the lack of a response by any CPC shall be considered as a 'yes' with respect to that CPC to delist the vessels in respect of paragraph 27.

Therefore, in accordance with IOTC Resolution 17/03, I invite Contracting Parties to examine the request to remove the ten vessels and to notify the IOTC Secretariat of their conclusion to either remove or retain the vessels on, the IOTC IUU Vessels List. Your response to this request, if any, is expected within 30 days of this notification, i.e. no later than close of business 4 October 2018.

I look forward to receiving your responses.

Yours sincerely



Christopher O'Brien  
Executive Secretary

#### Attachments:

- Nil

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