



Moroni, 15th May 2019

**Subject:** Outstanding compliance issues

**Dear Commission Chairman,**

Reference is made to your letter from the 15<sup>th</sup> session of the Compliance Committee, held 13-15 May 2018, in Bangkok, Thailand. We are pleased to inform you of the following:

Regarding Resolution 13/06, the Fishery and Aquaculture Code is being reviewed. The draft bill is available and should have been submitted to parliamentary session in 2018. It will include a special IOTC provision to transpose international measures into national measures through a Ministerial Decree and facilitate the prompt implementation of the resolutions. However, for some reason relevant to the Parliament, the draft bill could not be reviewed in 2018. The draft bill is being reviewed by the National Assembly and should be adopted late May 2019.

Regarding Resolution 17/05, Comoros has carried out an awareness-raising campaign to strengthen sampling at the landing sites to achieve the objective of this Resolution.

Regarding Resolution 12/04, Comoros has reported statistics on the interactions with sea turtles in the Implementation Report.

Sincerely,

