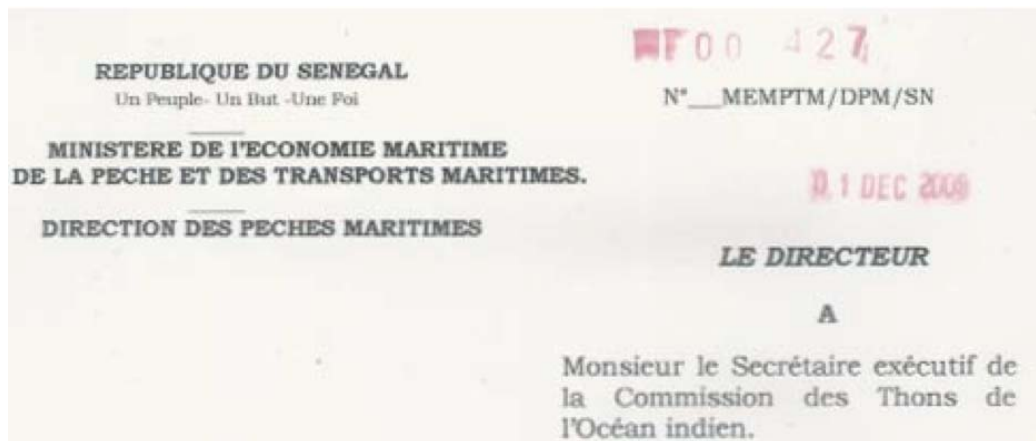


*Note: what follows is a translation of letters written in French and received at the Secretariat.
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Subject: renewal of Senegal's status of Cooperating Non-contracting Party to the IOTC, 2010

Mr. Executive Director,

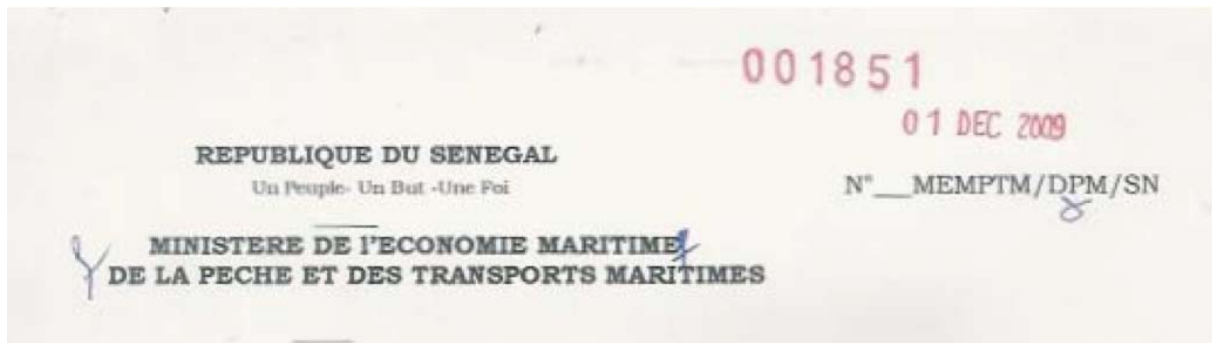
As you will know, Senegal has been granted the status of Cooperating Non-contracting Party to the IOTC since the May 2006 Commission's annual Session.

Due to technical issues, the Senegalese fleet hasn't done any fishing operation in the IOTC Area during the recent years. Despite this temporary absence, Senegal wishes to keep its status as a Cooperating party. I wish also to inform you that all the documentation relevant to our application to the status of Contracting Member of the Commission has been submitted to our Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

However, due to administrative reasons that have delayed the process on our side, you will find attached a letter by the Minister of State in charge of Fisheries, asking for the renewal of our status of Cooperating Non-contracting Party.

Sincerely yours,

Dr Papa Namsa Keita



Subject: renewal of Senegal's status of Cooperating Non-contracting Party to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission

Mr. Executive Secretary,

In accordance to the provisions of IOTC Resolution 03/02 on the status of cooperating non-contracting parties, Senegal wishes to ask for the renewal in 2010 of its status as cooperating party to the IOTC.

Although Senegal has not been fishing in the IOTC Area during the last 3 years, we wish to keep our status as cooperating party.

I therefore have the pleasure to inform you that my technical services have transmitted to the Minister of Foreign Affairs all the documentation required for the instruction of our application for the status of Cooperating Non Contracting Party to IOTC.

However, due to various issues, the process is still ongoing. Therefore, Senegal wishes to ask for the renewal of our status of Cooperating Non-contracting Party.

Regarding this matter, I want to renew Senegal's commitment to enforcing and respecting the management and conservation measures adopted by the Commission.

Sincerely yours,

ATTN :
M. Alejandro Anganuzzi
Executive Secretary, Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
Victoria, Seychelles





The Minister,

Declaration of commitment

In compliance with FAO recommendations for responsible fisheries, the Minister in charge of Fisheries of Senegal, by confirming his view that the oceans' management should be based on a shared and collective responsibility and on the respect of international obligations and agreements related to the sustainable exploitation of the sea's living resources, commits himself to:

- respecting the conservation and management measures adopted by the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC); and
- enforcing the strict application by our vessels of IOTC conservation and management measures.

This commitment is issued to serve and avail when and where required.

