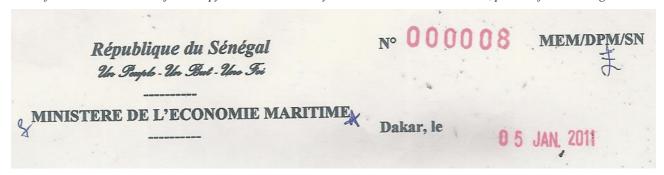
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The Minister,

<u>Subject:</u> Application for renewal of Senegal's status as a Cooperating Non Contracting Party of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission

Mister Executive Secretary,

I have the pleasure to inform you that Senegal is asking for the renewal of its status as a Cooperating Non Contracting Party of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission for 2011.

As you can see, the Senegalese fleet has not fished in the IOTC Area during the last 3 years, but our country nonetheless wishes to maintain its cooperating status, which was first granted to us in 2005. This status will allow our fleet to operate again in the Indian Ocean once our it is operational again.

I would like to remind you that we have already stated our wish to become a fully contracting Member of the Commission and that this matter is still being instructed by our authorities.

Senegal is strongly supportive of all the Fisheries-related Conventions to which it is a signatory and our country actively collaborates with most of the Regional Fisheries Bodies pursuing goals similar to that of IOTC.

Sincerely yours,



Attn: M. Alejandro Anganuzzi

Executive Secretary of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission

Mahé, Seychelles