

## **Report of Implementation for the year 2010**

Reporting CPC: JAPAN

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**Part A.** *Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission at its Fourteenth Session.*

Resolution 10/01 For the Conservation and Management of Tropical Tuna Stocks in the IOTC Area of Competence *On 1 August 2010 the Fisheries Agency of Japan (FAJ) has made amendment to the rules (Ministerial Ordinance on the Licensing and Control of Designated Fisheries) in order to implement the closure. With the official gazette, FAJ informed all interested parties and their national tuna and tuna-like species industries of the closure. FAJ has been monitoring the compliance of Japanese vessels with this resolution through VMS, and no violation has been detected.*

Resolution 10/02 Mandatory Statistical Requirements For IOTC Members and Cooperating non-Contracting Parties (CPCs) *All data except size data mandated to provide to the IOTC Secretariat in this resolution is collected by logbooks. Vessels authorized to fish in the IOTC Area are required to keep daily logbooks by the rules (Ministerial Ordinance on the Licensing and Control of Designated Fisheries). Size data is gathered in the Observer Program.*

Resolution 10/03 Concerning the recording of catch by fishing vessels in the IOTC area *The format of logbooks for purse seine fisheries is designated compatible with this resolution in the rules (Ministerial Ordinance on the Licensing and Control of Designated Fisheries). The purse seiners have already started using the format.*

Resolution 10/04 On a Regional observer scheme *Japan started to deploy observers in 2006. On July 1 2010 Japan started the IOTC regional observer program. 18 observers for longliners and 1 for purse seiner were dispatched, which covered more than 5% of the total operations.*

Resolution 10/06 On Reducing the Incidental Bycatch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries *On 31 October 2010 FAJ has made amendment to the rules (Ministerial Ordinance on the Licensing and Control of Designated Fisheries) in order to implement the resolution. Longline vessels fishing south of 25° S are required to use the mitigation measures adopted at IOTC.*

Resolution 10/07 Concerning a Record of Licensed Foreign Vessels Fishing for Tunas and Swordfish in the IOTC Area *Not applicable.*

Resolution 10/08 Concerning a Record of Active Vessels Fishing for Tunas and Swordfish in the IOTC Area *Japan will submit a list of its vessels that were active in the Area during 2010 by 15 February 2011.*

Resolution 10/10 Concerning Market Related Measures  
*Japan does not implement this resolution.*

Resolution 10/11 On Port state measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing     *Not Applicable.*

Resolution 10/12 On the Conservation of Thresher Sharks (Family Alopiidae) caught in Association with Fisheries in the IOTC Agreement Area     *On 1 August 2010 FAJ has made amendment to the rules (Ministerial Ordinance on the Licensing and Control of Designated Fisheries) in order to implement the resolution. Vessels authorized to fish in the IOTC area are required to promptly release unharmed, to the extent practicable, thresher sharks when brought along side for taking on board the vessel.*

Recommendation 10/13 On the Implementation of a Ban On Discards Of Skipjack Tuna, Yellow Fin Tuna, Bigeye Tuna, And Non Targeted Species Caught By Purse Seiners *FAJ has encouraged all purse seine vessels fishing in the IOTC Area to comply with this resolution.*

**Part B.**     *Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission in previous Sessions, and which have not been reported previously.*

Not applicable.