
REPORT OF IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE YEAR 2010

Reporting CPC: Malaysia

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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

1) Resolution 10/01 For the Conservation and Management of Tropical Tuna Stocks in the IOTC Area of Competence

Letter dated 28th January 2011 has been sent to fishing operators to inform in particular the closure area and periods for purse seiners and long liners. Their fishing operation also has been closely monitored via VMSs.

2) Resolution 10/02 Mandatory Statistical Requirements For IOTC Members and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties (CPCs)

Data and information have been reported to IOTC via electronic mail.

3) Resolution 10/03 Concerning the Recording of Catch by Fishing Vessels in The IOTC Area

All vessel operators are required to fill in the Vessel Operation Report (LOV) forms and submit the forms to the nearby Department of Fisheries office. This form contains detailed information on species and quantity of fish caught as well as by catch, if any. Subsequently the fisheries officers will provide the data to the IOTC. Failure to do so , will cause the licence of the vessel to be revoked or suspended as provided under the Fisheries Act 1985.

4) Resolution 10/04 On a Regional Observer Scheme

The programme/scheme has been postponed, due to the insufficient fund.

5) Resolution 10/06 On Reducing The Incidental By catch of Seabirds in Long line Fisheries

The use of circle hooks has been promoted and recommended to the tuna long liners.

6) Resolution 10/07 Concerning A Record of Licensed Foreign Vessels Fishing for Tunas and Swordfish in the IOTC Area.

The list of foreign fishing vessels (carrying their national flag or others) landing tuna caught in the IOTC area at Malaysian International Tuna Port (MITP) in Penang, Malaysia has been submitted to IOTC by using IOTC Form 5: Foreign Tuna Vessels Activity.

7) Resolution 10/08 Concerning A Record of Active Vessels Fishing for Tunas and Swordfish in the IOTC Area

The record has been submitted to IOTC via electronic mail.

8) Resolution 10/10 Concerning Market Related Measures

Information of imported tunas has been collected.

9) Resolution 10/11 On Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

Still being discussed with relevant agencies before it is implemented.

10) Resolution 10/12 On The Conservation of Thresher Sharks (Family Alopiidae) Caught In Association with Fisheries in The IOTC Agreement Area

The operator having long line vessels were officially informed of the resolution and were requested to strictly implement it.

11) Resolution 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.

The operator having purse seine vessels is informed and requested to implement the recommendation.