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Dear Madam / Sir

COMMUNICATION FROM SRI LANKA REGARDING ITS UPDATED FLEET DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Please find attached a communication from Sri Lanka regarding its updated fleet development plan. This relates to the recommendation of the Commission in 2017 for CPCs to provide information on the reasons why they have not been able to implement their fleet development plans and to detail a way forward.

Yours sincerely



Christopher O'Brien
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

- Communication from Sri Lanka

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Executive Secretary,
Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC),
P.O.Box 1011, Victoria,
Seychelles.

Dear Sir,

Revised Fleet Development Plan (FDP) for Year 2020 to 2025 – Sri Lanka

I draw your attention to the Para 66, S21 (2017) Report. Sri Lanka was not able to fully achieve the previously proposed FDP due to non-availability of investors in the first two years owing to the market sanctions. The late received proposals are being evaluated and to be implemented in future.

The revised FDP is introduced to have vessels with enough capability to implement the Conservation and Management Measures (CMM) of IOTC in high seas and better freezing capacity. More attention is drawn to shift from non-selective gears (gill nets) to selective gears (long line) with less impact to associated species. Sri Lanka's aim is to fully realize the proposed FDP within the given five years period and has already included to National Plan of Action.


I ensure that complete details of each vessel will be submitted to the IOTC Secretariat, at the time of registration for fishing in IOTC area.

It is appreciated if you would update the FDP of Sri Lanka with this revised information.

I would be grateful if you would to inform all IOTC members of this update.

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,


Kalyani Hewapathirana
Director (Fishing Operations)
Head of Delegate to IOTC-COC

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Director General

Table -1 Revised Fleet Development Plan for Tropical Tuna - Sri Lanka for 2021-2025
Last Submitted on 18.03.2016 and updated on 17.09.2020

Category of the Vessel			Base year (2020)	Achievement anticipated				
Type	Mean GT	Sizes		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Long line and Gill net (Combination) vessels	19.03	Less than 15m	1996	0	0	0	0	0
	52.91	15m-24m	0	10	15	20	25	30
Longline Vessels	18.28	Less than 15m	1828	50	75	100	125	150
	58.91	15m-24m	29	30	40	40	40	40
	282.54	24m-45m	23	25	30	35	35	35
	1140.82	45m-75m	0	1	2	2	2	3
Small scale ring net Vessels	17.63	Less than 15m	0	30	40	50	60	60
	25.83	15m-24m	0	10	10	15	25	25
Purse seine Vessels	286.89	24m-45m	0	1	2	2	2	3
	1185.12	45m-75m	0	1	1	1	1	1

Table -2 Revised Fleet Development Plan for Sward Fish - Sri Lanka for 2021-2025
Last Submitted on 18.03.2016 and updated on 17.09.2020

Category of the Vessel			Base year (2020)	Achievement anticipated				
Type	Mean GT	Sizes		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Long line and Gill net (Combination) vessels	19.03	Less than 15m	0	0	0	0	0	0
Long line vessels	58.91	15m-24m	0	1	2	2	2	3
	282.54	24m-45m	0	1	1	1	1	1

Note : The vessels in the FDP will either Sri Lanka built or foreign built purchased and import to Sri Lanka. During the purchase criterion such as absence of IUU history, stability, age , State of art to meet international standards will be strictly followed.