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**Ref. No. BA 40/104/02/74**

**7th April 2021**

The Executive Secretary,  
The Indian Ocean Tuna Commission,  
P.O. Box 1011,  
**VICTORIA, SEYCHELLES.**

**Re: FEEDBACK REGARDING COMPLIANCE ISSUES**

Reference is made to your letter with Ref. No. IOTC2020-191 dated 4th December, 2020.

2. The United Republic of Tanzania hereby wishes to respond to the compliance issues raised during the 17th Session of the IOTC Compliance Committee held during 1-2 October 2020 as follows:-

The CoC <b>ACKNOWLEDGED</b> the difficulties that <b>Tanzania</b> continue to face to fully implement the following CMMs adopted by the Commission:	<b>Response</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has not reported nominal catch, catch and effort and size frequency data to IOTC Standard for the coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02.</li> </ul>	<p>The said data was submitted to IOTC Secretariat on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019. However, we were requested to resubmit the data in the required standard. The resubmission was done on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has not reported nominal catch, catch and effort and size frequency data on sharks, as required by Resolution 17/05.</li> </ul>	<p>Tanzania was not able to collect data on shark and rays until August 2020.</p> <p>Six landing sites have been identified for collecting data on sharks and rays according to IOTC standard.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has not submitted its report on zero catches matrix, as required by Resolution 19/01.</li> </ul>	<p>The said data was submitted to IOTC Secretariat in February 2020</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has not submitted data on interactions with Cetaceans, as required by Resolution 13/04.</li> </ul>	<p>The said data was submitted to IOTC Secretariat on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019. However, we were requested to resubmit the data in the required standard. The resubmission was done on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020.</p>

<p>The CoC <b>ACKNOWLEDGED</b> the difficulties that <b>Tanzania</b> continue to face to fully implement the following CMMs adopted by the Commission:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Response</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has not provided information on prohibition to retain on board, tranship, land, any Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin, Indo-pacific Sailfish smaller than 60 cm Lower Jaw Fork Length, as required by Resolution 18/08.</li> </ul>	<p>The URT has incorporated these provisions in the Deep Sea Fisheries Management and Development Act , Cap 388 of 2020 (section 23)</p>

3. Thank you for your cooperation.



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**ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL**