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IOTC CIRCULAR
2021-58

Dear Madam / Sir

REQUESTS MADE FOR A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE IOTC

In Circular IOTC2021-48, I invited Members to make a request in writing if they wish to convene a Special Session in January 2022 that would consider the validity of the results of the vote taken at the 25th Session of the Commission and to address matters concerning the management of Fish Aggregating Devices by the IOTC.

Members were given 18 days (until the close of business on 3 October) to make their request.

In accordance with Article VI.5 of the IOTC Agreement, a Special Session may be convened if requested by at least one third of Members (i.e. 10 Members). I received four responses in favour of a Special Session by the due date; therefore, the Special Session as proposed will not go ahead.

I would like to thank Members for their consideration of this matter.

Yours sincerely



Ms Jung-re Riley Kim
IOTC Chairperson

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