

10th Meeting of IOTC Technical Committee on Allocation Criteria
20-23 June 2022, Seychelles

Agenda Item 6: Review of Chair's Proposed Allocation Regime Text,
Annexes and Appendices

Statement by the Republic of Mauritius in respect of the Island of Tromelin

The Republic of Mauritius rejects the sovereignty claim of France over the Island of Tromelin as well as France's claim to any sovereign right or jurisdiction over the Exclusive Economic Zone adjacent to the Island of Tromelin. Further, the Republic of Mauritius does not recognize the validity of the inclusion of the Island of Tromelin in the French Southern and Antarctic Lands (TAAF) or the Scattered Islands/Iles Eparses. The Republic of Mauritius reaffirms that it has full and complete sovereignty over the Island of Tromelin, including its maritime zones.

Since the Island of Tromelin forms an integral part of the territory of the Republic of Mauritius, France cannot and should not be granted any Catch-based Allocation and any Coastal State Allocation in respect of the Island of Tromelin.

The Catch-based Allocation and the Coastal State Allocation for the Republic of Mauritius should take into account the maritime zones of the Republic of Mauritius around the Island of Tromelin as well.

The Republic of Mauritius requests that this statement be annexed to the report of this meeting.