



IOTC-2023-CoC20-09 Add3 [E]

Additional information from Sri Lanka concerning one vessel on the 2023 IOTC Draft IUU Vessels List

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PURPOSE

• To provide additional information, which has been received from the Sri Lanka by the IOTC Secretariat, to the Compliance Committee to assist it in taking decisions on one vessel that on the 2023 IOTC Draft IUU Vessels List: Attachment 2 of document IOTC-2023-CoC20-09.

INFORMATION REPORTED TO THE IOTC SECRETARIAT

In response to the publication of document IOTC-2023-CoC20-09_Add1, Sri Lanka has provided the additional information which is reproduced in Annex 1.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the CoC20:

• **NOTE** the information provided in document IOTC-2023-CoC20-09_Add3, which will assist it in its deliberations on a vessel included in the 2023 IOTC Draft IUU Vessels List.

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Dear Sir.

Reporting on the Sri Lanka fishing vessels IMULA-2159-CHW in the draft IUU list

This is further to the 15 days before CoC meeting reporting by Sri Lanka, on the Sri Lanka fishing vessel IMULA-2159-CHW which is included on the Draft IUU Vessel List. The trial against the reported IUU fishing activity of this vessel is ongoing at the Magistrate Courts of Sri Lanka and the next trial date is date 25th May 2023.

Sri Lanka would like to mention that this vessel will remain detained in the port under the supervision of the Coast Guard Department until the case is fully concluded; and, that the vessel will not be released until the VMS is repaired and become fully functional. Moreover the vessel will be added to the Risk vessels list for future close monitoring.

I would appreciate if you could circulate this letter to the other members of the Commission.

Yours sincerely,

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