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IOTC CIRCULAR 2023-41

Dear Sir/Madam

REQUEST FOR OBSERVER STATUS FROM MARINAS GUARDIAN

Please find attached a request letter from Marinas Guardian to participate as an Observer to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission processes.

In accordance with Rule XIV of the IOTC Rules of Procedure, Contracting Parties of the Commission may wish to allow Marinas Guardian to participate as an Observer given their interest in the IOTC as stipulated in the attached letter. Thus, unless any objections are received within 30 days of the date of this Circular, the IOTC Secretariat will consider that approval has been granted for the Executive Secretary to issue an invitation to the potential Observer to attend IOTC meetings accordingly.

Yours sincerely

Christopher O'Brien
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

- Letter from Marinas Guardian

Distribution

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To Whom it May Concern

Request for Observer Status at the IOTC

Marinas Guardian Ltd is a company registered in England and Wales operated on a not-for-profit basis with the objective to help protect the Ocean.

We have particular focus on issues pertaining to the Indian Ocean and therefore would like to support the efforts of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission.

We are writing to request observer status to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission meetings under Article VII of the IOTC Agreement (OBSERVERS) and Rule XIV of the IOTC Rules of Procedure.

We are keen to offer our help and therefore hope that observer status can be granted to Marinas Guardian Ltd. We are of course happy to address any queries you might have.

Yours faithfully

Richard Chubb

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Chief Financial Officer

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