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Executive Secretary  
Indian Ocean Tuna Commission

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Dear Executive Secretary,

I would like to submit response to the FEEDBACK REGARDING COMPLIANCE ISSUES dated 24 May 2022.  
Please see our response below:

CPC: Republic of Korea	Responses/clarifications
• Has not reported size frequency for surface fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	We submitted the data on 29 June, 2022 on the latest template.
• Has not reported size frequency for longline fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.	We submitted the data on 28 December, 2022 on the latest template.
• Has not provided nominal catch data on sharks, for all fleets, to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05.	As the Korean fishing vessel does not retain the sharks caught as bycatch, they only discard or release them. We submitted the data on the IOTC FORM IB:DISCARD on 29 June(PS) and on 28 December(LL) 2022.
• Has not provided catch and effort data on sharks, for all fleets, to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05.	As the Korean fishing vessel does not retain the sharks caught as bycatch, they only discard or release them. We submitted the data on the IOTC FORM IB:DISCARD on 29 June(PS) and on 28 December(LL) 2022.
• Has not provided size frequency data on sharks, for all fleets, to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05.	In 2021, Korea couldn't get observers on board due to the Covid-19. As science research couldn't be conducted, we had difficulties in collecting data of size frequency for sharks.

Sincerely yours,

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