## IOTC-2024-CoC21-FL17[E]-MOZ





## MOZAMBIQUE response to feedback on the level of implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures identified by the CoC20 in 2022

| Identified Issues   | Responses/clarifications  |
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| • Has provided the mandatory report National Scientific Report. Several key requirements are not covered in the submission (such as sections 6.6 and 6.8).  | Mozambique compiled the national scientific report using the outdated template by mistake, and misplaced the information which refers to section 6.6 and 6.8. This was corrected since the National scientific report for 2023 already submitted to IOTC Secretariat followed the updated template and covers all sections with relevant information. |
| <ul> <li>Has not provided all information related to the List of<br/>Authorized vessels &gt; 24 metres, as required by Resolution<br/>19/04. Mandatory information missing: total volume of<br/>fish hold, out-dated authorisation period.</li> </ul> | Information on total volume will be submitted in the future reports accordingly. Moz. has updated the authorization period and this issue is already sorted out since most vessels are no longer active in IOTC.  |
| • Has not reported nominal catch for coastal fisheries to IOTC standards, as required by Resolution 15/02. Form 1RC only contains data for coastal fisheries.   | <ul> <li>To allow improvement with this requirement, Mozambique would like to request IOTC secretariat to point out clearly the specific missing information to help improving reporting.</li> <li>Mozambique would like to request technical assistance from IOTC Secretariat on this matter</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>Has reported the zero catches matrix not to IOTC<br/>standard, as required by Resolution 18/07. No data<br/>submitted for 1RC/1DI for coastal fisheries to quantify the<br/>1DR.</li> </ul>  | Mozambique would like to get clear understanding of specific mistakes since we understand that this requirement is related to Resolution 15/02 and not 18/07. Nevertheless, Mozambique will make effort to overcome and requests technical assistance from IOTC Secretariat the improve in the next reporting.  |
| <ul> <li>Has not reported catch and effort for coastal fisheries to<br/>IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 15/02.<br/>Aggregated for all months.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>The required information was reported following the requirement stated in the forms. Could the Secretariat point out exactly what are the mistakes to help improving in the future.</li> <li>Mozambique would like to request technical assistance from IOTC Secretariat on this matter</li> </ul>   |
| <ul> <li>Has not reported catch and effort for longline fisheries to<br/>IOTC standards, as required by Resolution 15/02. Error in<br/>1 grid square, providing 1 stratum per month.</li> </ul>   | Well noted. Mozambique will make effort to report correctly using appropriate standards. Moz request that this issue should be part of matters to be covered in the technical assistance to be delivered to by IOTC section data mission.   |
| <ul> <li>Has not reported size frequency for coastal fisheries to<br/>IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02. SF data<br/>provided for some species/gear, however, no RC data to<br/>ascertain SF level.</li> </ul>                           | Moz. faced difficulties to fulfil this requirement since the sampling system does not cover SF data and the reduced number of enumerators affect this activity.   |
| Has not reported size frequency for longline fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02. SF not provided for all species, some SF species not in RC, less than 1 fish measured per Mt for some species.                              | With regard to SF for longline fisheries, Moz. will make effort to overcome this issue.  Mozambique welcomes technical assistance from IOTC Secretariat on this field   |

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| <ul> <li>Has not provided nominal catch data on sharks, to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05. Shark catches aggregated under MAK.</li> <li>Has not provided catch and effort data on sharks to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05. Shark catches aggregated under MAK.</li> <li>Has not provided size frequency data on sharks, for all fleets, to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 17/05. Reported for SMA from LL fisheries only.</li> </ul>  | Information sent to IOTC secretariat, although did not meet IOTC standard specifically with regards to operation and its coordinates (longitude and latitude). This will be overcomed.  Mozambique would also welcome technical assistance from IOTC Secretariat on this field to improve in reporting to this requirement   |
| <ul> <li>Has provided the Report on progress of implementation of the Resolution 12/04, not at IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 12/04.</li> <li>Has not provided for all fleets/gears the official national fishing logbooks template, as required Resolution 15/01. No fishing logbook reported for vessels (PS/Line trolling/Coastal LL/GN) less than 24 metres operating within the EEZ (Res 15/01 para 11).</li> <li>Has not provided the Report on review of flag State internal actions, as required by Resolution 19/04.</li> </ul> | Mozambique will make effort to report correctly using appropriate IOTC standards as required by the Res. 12/04.  |
| <ul> <li>Had charter agreement, as Chartering CPC, information<br/>not to IOTC standards, as required by Resolution 19/07.</li> <li>Information provided after fishing activities started.</li> </ul>  | Mozambique took note and commit to improve in the next submissions   |
| Has not provided all information related to the list of vessels fishing for YFT, as required by Resolution 10/08. For artisanal fisheries, no vessel reported.   | This information is quite difficult to report since the artisanal vessels do not target tuna itself. Tuna and tuna like species comes as bycatch. There is no specific tuna species targeted by artisanal fleets. We invite IOTC Secretariat to visit Mozambique to experience the scenario and explore ways of assisting Mozambique on how to better address the requirement. |
| • Has not reported Discards to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 15/02. Did not use the 1DI form.   |  |
| • Has not reported data on interactions with marine turtles to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 12/04. Data provided in email missing metadata.  |  |
| <ul> <li>Has not provided data on interactions with sea birds to<br/>IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 12/06. Data<br/>provided in email missing metadata. Information on ETP<br/>should be reported in 1DI form.</li> </ul>  | Mozambique took note and commit to improve in the next submissions and will consider missing information when reporting through e-MARIS;   |
| • Has not reported data on interactions with cetaceans to IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 13/04. Data provided in email missing metadata.   | Mozambique welcomes technical assistance from IOTC Secretariat on this field to improve in reporting to this   |
| <ul> <li>Has not reported data on interactions with whale sharks<br/>at IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 13/05. Data<br/>provided in email missing metadata. Information on ETP<br/>should be reported in 1DI form.</li> </ul>   | requirement  |
| • Has not reported data on interactions with mobulid rays at IOTC standard, as required by Resolution 19/03. Data provided in email missing metadata.  |  |
| • Has not provided information competent authority, as required by Resolution 16/11.   | Noted and corrected already. After the restructuring process of the Ministry of Sea, inland Waters and Fisheries new institutions were created. Mozambique already fulfilled this requirement and reported to IOTC Secretariat accordingly.  |