

## IOTC CIRCULAR 2024-27

Dear Sir/Madam,

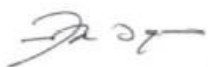
### **FOLLOW-UP ACTION NEEDED FOR N/C2 REQUIREMENTS – APPENDIX V, ANNEX A, IOTC RULES OF PROCEDURE (2023)**

In light of the concerns raised during the 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Compliance Committee (CoC21), regarding the implementation of the relatively new Rules of Procedure (2023), the CoC21 agreed to provide CPCs with the possibility to contest any pertinent compliance assessment, particularly those assessed as Non-Compliant Category 2 (N/C2). While the compliance status of contested compliance assessments remained unchanged, the Compliance Committee agreed to include a notation specifying which requirements were contested in CPCs' Final Compliance Reports and noted the need for the concerned CPCs to provide a detailed plan of action for their compliance issues assessed as N/C2.

Pursuant to Annex A of Appendix V, of the Rules of Procedure (2023), for all requirements assessed as N/C2, the concerned CPCs *"shall submit, within 3 months from the end of the Commission annual session, a detailed plan and timeline on how it intends to address the non-compliance of category 2 identified"*. To assist the concerned CPCs in defining and submitting appropriate follow-up actions, including a detailed plan and timeline, the IOTC Secretariat has drafted the attached template, which should be submitted to the IOTC Secretariat **no later than 17 August 2024**. A MS WORD version of the template can be downloaded [HERE](#).

I would also like to take this opportunity to inform CPCs that the IOTC Secretariat is planning to conduct, in the near future, one-to-one virtual meetings with CPCs who have contested some of their compliance assessments. CPCs are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to better understand the IOTC Secretariat's rationale for the assessments and for the IOTC Secretariat to also understand the CPCs' viewpoints for contesting some of these assessments.

Yours sincerely



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Chairperson  
IOTC Compliance Committee

Attachment: Template of Compliance Action for Plan CoC21.

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## **Template Compliance Action Plan // *Modèle de plan d'action de conformité***

In accordance with the IOTC Rules of Procedure, Appendix V – Annex A Compliance status categories, the Compliance Committee 21 **NOTED** the following:

*Conformément au Règlement intérieur de la CTOI, Appendice V – Annexe A Catégories de statut de conformité, le Comité d'Application 21 a noté la suivant :*

57. The CoC21 **NOTED** that CPCs are required to provide a detailed plan of action for all their compliance issues assessed as N/C2, within the three months period following the Compliance Committee.

*57. Le CdA21 a noté que les CPC sont tenues de fournir un plan d'action détaillé pour toutes leurs questions de conformité évaluées comme N/C2, dans les trois mois suivant le Comité d'application.*

To facilitate reporting and harmonise this exercise, the Secretariat is providing the attached template. *Pour faciliter et harmoniser cet exercice de déclaration, le Secrétariat fournit un modèle, disponible à la page 2 de ce document.*

CPC country name : INSERT

Date of submission : DD/MM/2024

CR Requirement Number <i>Numero exigence</i>	Corrective(s) action(s) <i>Action(s) corrective(s)</i>	Period of implementation <i>Période de mise en œuvre</i>		Remarks, if any <i>Remarque(s) le cas échéant</i>
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<b>Example 3.6</b>	1. <b>Example:</b> CPC name will undertake a review of its list of authorised vessels and undertake to provide all missing information before the end of 2024.	<b>Example</b> 01/06/2024	<b>Example</b> 31/12/2024	<b>Example</b> None
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