

## OUTCOMES OF THE COMMISSION AND THE 28th SESSION OF THE COMMISSION

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### PURPOSE

To inform participants at the 26<sup>th</sup> Working Party on Tropical tuna (WPTT26) data preparation meeting of the decisions and requests made by the Commission at its 28<sup>th</sup> session, held from 12-16 May 2024, specifically relating to the work of the WPTT.

### BACKGROUND

At the 28<sup>th</sup> Session, the Commission **CONSIDERED** and **ADOPTED** 11 proposals as Conservation and Management Measures (consisting of 10 Resolutions and 1 Recommendations) as detailed below (the report of S28 has yet to be finalised)

### Resolutions

- Resolution 24/01 *On Climate Change as It Relates to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission*
- Resolution 24/02 *On Management of Drifting Fish Aggregating Devices (FADs) in the IOTC Area of Competence*
- Resolution 24/03 *On Establishment a List of Vessels Presumed to Have Carried Out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing in the IOTC Area of COMPETENCE*
- Resolution 24/04 *On a Regional Observer Scheme*
- Resolution 24/05 *On Establishing a Programme for Transshipment by Large-Scale Fishing Vessels*
- Resolution 24/06 *On a Ban on Discards of Bigeye Tuna, Skipjack Tuna, Yellowfin Tuna, and Non-Targeted Species Caught by Vessels in the IOTC Record of Authorisation That Operate in the IOTC Area of Competence*
- Resolution 24/07 *On a Management Procedure for Skipjack in the IOTC Area Of Competence*
- Resolution 24/08 *On a Management Procedure for Swordfish in the IOTC Area of Competence*
- Resolution 24/09 *To promote compliance by nationals of Contracting Parties and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties with IOTC Conservation and Management Measures*
- Resolution 24/10 *On the Promotion of the Implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures*
- Recommendation 24/11 *On Marine Pollution*

### DISCUSSION

Pursuant to Article IX.4 of the IOTC Agreement, the above-mentioned Conservation and Management Measures shall become binding on Members, 120 days from the date of the notification communicated by the Secretariat.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the WPTT(DP)

- 1) **NOTE** paper IOTC–2024–WPTT26(DP)–04 which outlined the main outcomes of the 28<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission, specifically related to the work of the WPTT and **AGREE** to consider how best to provide the SC with the information it needs, in order to satisfy the Commission's requests, throughout the course of the current and next WGFAD meetings.