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IOTC CIRCULAR 2024-36

Dear Madam / Sir

ORGANISATION OF THE 13TH SESSION OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON ALLOCATION CRITERIA (TCAC13) AND THE 1ST WORKING PARTY ON SOCIO-ECONOMICS MEETING (WPSE01)

As noted in Circular [2024-34](#), Oman are no longer able to host the 13th Session of the TCAC or the 1st session of the WPSE that are planned to be held from the 21-24 October (TCAC) and 25 October (WPSE).

The Secretariat investigated the possibility of hosting these meetings in Seychelles, but no suitable venues are available for the period required. In addition, no other members have offered to host these meetings.

As such, the IOTC Secretariat, after consulting with the TCAC Chair, is proposing to hold the meetings in Dubai, as this is an easily accessible, well connected location with budget friendly options for meeting venues.

As the meetings are rapidly approaching and there is little time to reserve suitable venues, we are requesting that members provide comment on this proposal by midnight Seychelles time on **Friday 5th July 2024**. Should no objections be received before that time, the Secretariat will proceed to tender for services to host the meetings in Dubai.

Should no hosts come forward for the upcoming meeting of the Scientific Committee (SC) in December, a similar approach may also be required, as again, the Seychelles has no suitable venues available for the dates of the SC meeting.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Secretary

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