

Proposed option for TCAC Decision Making and Reporting

TCAC Chairperson and IOTC Secretariat

Background

In response to document IOTC-2025-TCAC14-04, the chair was asked to provide a revised option for the adoption of reports for TCAC meetings. Following the discussions held during the session the following process, which is a hybrid of methods used in other RFMOs (most notably CCSBT, IATTC and ICCAT) and including elements of Option 2 in the aforementioned paper is proposed

- 1) The TCAC utilises the collective rapporteuring of the Chair, Vice-Chairs and Secretariat to keep track of the discussions held during the meeting. Each day, after the final session for the day has finished, the Chair, Vice-Chairs and Secretariat will meet to discuss and agree on the main actionable items, agreements and decisions taken by the TCAC during that day. This text will be agreed by these rapporteurs and distributed by the Secretariat to all participants each evening. The participants will then be given an opportunity to comment on this text each day. On the final evening, all the agreed text will be compiled into a succinct report that will be adopted on the final day of the TCAC meeting, ensuring that the report is adopted during the session and circulated shortly after the TCAC meeting has ended.