



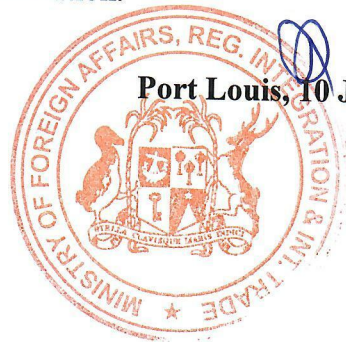
REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND
INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

No: 07/2025 (18570/46/142)

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade of the Republic of Mauritius presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) and with reference to its Note Verbale No. 06/2025 (18570/46/142) dated 26 June 2025, has the honour to request that the attached statements by Mauritius under agenda items 6 and 7 could be annexed to the report of the 15th Meeting of IOTC Technical Committee on Allocation Criteria (*14-17 July 2025, Zanzibar, Tanzania*) and be posted on the IOTC website.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade of the Republic of Mauritius avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission the assurances of its highest consideration.



Port Louis, 10 July 2025

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Agenda Item 6: Catch Attribution and Proxies

Statement by the Republic of Mauritius

The Republic of Mauritius reiterates the statements which it had made with regard to the Chagos Archipelago and the Island of Tromelin under agenda item 6 at the 10th meeting of the Technical Committee held from 20 to 23 June 2022 in Seychelles and which are annexed to the report of that meeting (Document IOTC-2022-TCAC10-R[E], Appendix 4).

The Republic of Mauritius also reaffirms that since the Chagos Archipelago and the Island of Tromelin form an integral part of its territory, no State other than the Republic of Mauritius can be granted any allocations in respect of the Chagos Archipelago and the Island of Tromelin.

The Republic of Mauritius requests that this statement be annexed to the report of this meeting.

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Agenda Item 7: Jurisdiction

Statement by the Republic of Mauritius

The Republic of Mauritius reiterates that the Island of Tromelin forms an integral part of its territory and rejects France's sovereignty claim over that island as well as France's claim to any sovereign right or jurisdiction over the Exclusive Economic Zone adjacent to that island.

Moreover, the Republic of Mauritius does not recognize the validity of the inclusion of the Island of Tromelin in the French Southern and Antarctic Lands (TAAF) or the Scattered Islands/Iles Eparses.

The Republic of Mauritius reaffirms that it has full and complete sovereignty over the Island of Tromelin, including its maritime zones.

The Republic of Mauritius requests that this statement be annexed to the report of this meeting.