



REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

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

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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 has the honour to refer to the Sixteenth Meeting of the Technical Committee on Allocation Criteria of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission which will be held in Perth, Australia from 3 to 6 February 2026.

The Ministry has further the honour to transmit herewith the following Statement by the Republic of Mauritius under the Agenda Item 9.

The Ministry would be grateful to the esteemed Secretariat of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission to kindly annex the Statement of the Republic of Mauritius to the report of the meeting and same 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, 29 January 2026

**Secretariat
Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
Victoria
Seychelles**

16th Meeting of IOTC Technical Committee on Allocation Criteria
3-6 February 2026, Perth, Australia

Agenda Item 9: 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.