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Dear Sir/Madam

CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE IOTC AT ITS 30TH ANNUAL SESSION

I have the honour to transmit to you the texts of the following 8 Conservation and Management Measures adopted by the Commission at its 30th Session which was held in the Maldives from 11 to 15 May 2026.

Resolution 26/01 *On establishing interim catch limits for yellowfin tuna in the IOTC Area of Competence* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/02 *On establishing interim catch limits for swordfish in the IOTC Area of Competence* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/03 *On the conservation of mobulid rays caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/04 *Concerning the IOTC record of vessels authorised to operate in the IOTC Area of Competence* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/05 *On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/06 *Mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC Contracting Parties and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties (CPCs)* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/07 *On the promotion of the implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures* [[download here](#)]

Resolution 26/08 *On promoting the objectives of IOTC through cooperation with the BBNJ agreement (The agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction)* [[download here](#)]

Pursuant to Articles IX.4 & 5 of the IOTC Agreement, the Resolutions shall become binding on Members, 120 days from the date of this notification, i.e. 19 September 2026, unless an objection is lodged or unless a date is specified within the Resolutions themselves.

Please note: some of the above-linked clean versions of the Conservation and Management Measures may include minor edits which were made after adoption.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Secretary

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