

**RESOLUTION 16/08****ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE OF AIRCRAFTS
AND UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES AS FISHING AIDS**

APPLICABLE TO



CPC FLAG STATE



CPC COASTAL STATE



CPC PORT STATE



CPC MARKET STATE

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

This resolution aims to limit increases in fishing power due to technological creep, by prohibiting the use of piloted and remotely piloted aircrafts in support of fishing campaigns (or as "fishing aids") – regardless of the gear deployed. The prohibition to use artificial lights for fishing – following a transition period – entered into force for all CPC vessels on the 1 January, 2018.

There are two reporting requirement under this resolution. One applies to the flag State, and the other to coastal State CPCs. The first one relates to those flag States wishing to make use of the transition period, and use already deployed aerial means up to 31 December, 2017 inclusive. The other relates to the reporting of infringements.

WHO

CPC FLAG STATE

CPC COASTAL STATE

WHAT

Inform the IOTC Secretariat of the intention to carry on using aerial means throughout the transition period

Inform the IOTC Executive Secretary and the flag State of detected infringement(s)

WHEN**DEADLINE**

Within 120 days of the adoption of the resolution

DEADLINE

Event based reporting - no deadline

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:
FORMAT AND CONTENT**

No reporting template is provided.

USE OF AIRCRAFTS/ UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES DURING TRANSITION PERIOD

REPORTING REQUIREMENT 1:

REPORT THE WISH TO CONTINUE USING AIRCRAFTS / UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES DURING TRANSITION PERIOD

IMPLEMENTATION

- How to report: No particular form is required, except to clearly state that the CPC wishes to make use of the transitional period granted in the resolution.
- Reporting format: An official letter.
- Where to send the information: The letter should be mailed to iotc-secretariat@fao.org

DETECTED ILLEGAL USE OF AIRCRAFTS/ UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES FOLLOWING ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE RESOLUTION

REPORTING REQUIREMENT 2:

REPORT DETECTED INFRINGEMENT TO THE FLAG STATE AND THE IOTC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

IMPLEMENTATION

- How to report: No particular form is required, but it is suggested that the report includes: a) vessel name; b) IRCS; c) date and location of detected occurrence; d) platform/unit/operator having detected the occurrence; e) brief description of events.
- Reporting format: An official letter with evidence attached.
- Where to send the information: The letter should be mailed to iotc-secretariat@fao.org

COOPERATION REQUIREMENTS

There are none in this resolution.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE INDUSTRY

The industry shall:

- Cease to use aircrafts and remotely piloted aerial vehicles as fishing aids as of 1 January 2018.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT

The IOTC Secretariat has one obligation under this resolution:

- Forwarding detected infringement reports to the Compliance Committee for its consideration and further reporting to the Commission.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE COMMISSION & BODIES

The Compliance Committee must consider received infringement reports and report to the Commission. The resolution does not stipulate specific courses of action to take in case of such detected infringements.



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