

RECOMMENDATION 02/06.
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTION 02/05 CONCERNING THE IOTC RECORD OF VESSELS

The Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC),

Recognizing that the Commission adopted *Resolution 02/05 Concerning the Establishment of an IOTC Record of Vessels over 24 metres Authorized to Operate in the IOTC Area* at its 2002 meeting,

Being concerned that there remain a hundred large-scale tuna longline vessels (LSTLVs) that are believed to continue IUU fishing in the IOTC Area and other areas,

Further recognizing a need to take measures to prevent those IUU fishing vessels from being entered in the IOTC Record before the said Resolution has entered into force,

Reaffirming the right of Contracting Parties and Non-Contracting Parties co-operating with IOTC to determine which fishing vessels over 24 metres will be included on their list of vessels, including new vessels or one to replace old vessels,

Recommends, in accordance with Article IX of the IOTC Agreement, that:

With respect to the LSTLVs, the Secretary should:

Compare the list which was submitted to him in accordance with paragraph 1 of the *Resolution 01/02 Relating to Control of Fishing Activities* (hereinafter referred to as “the LIST”) and the initial IOTC Record to be established by the *Resolution 02/05 Concerning the Establishment of an IOTC Record of Vessels over 24 metres Authorized to operate in the IOTC Area* adopted at the 2002 Commission meeting,

Identify the LSTLVs newly appeared on the initial IOTC Record (both net increase from the List and replacements of those previously on the List), and

Present a report on the results to the 2003 Commission meeting.

The Commission should scrutinize the information in paragraph 1 above to examine possible involvement of the remaining IUU LSTLVs on the IOTC Record