

## REPORT ON THE IOTC RECORD OF ACTIVE VESSELS

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This document summarises the observance of the information requirements of IOTC Resolution 05/04 (previously 98/04) *Concerning registration and exchange of information on vessels, including flag of convenience vessels, fishing for tropical tunas and swordfish in the IOTC Area of competence* by IOTC members

An historical summary of the implementation of this resolution is also provided, in response to a request from the Compliance Committee at Session 9

**Table 1.** Progress relating to the reporting requirements for IOTC Resolution 05/04..

Resolution 05/04 reporting requirements	Progress Achieved
<p>All Contracting Parties and Non-Contracting Parties cooperating with the IOTC with vessels fishing for tropical tunas and swordfish in the IOTC Area of Competence (hereinafter referred to as 'the Area'), by 30 June every year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>shall submit to the Secretary a list of their respective vessels greater than 24 m LOA that have fished for tropical tunas and swordfish in the Area during the previous year;</li> <li>Shall submit to the Secretary a list of their respective vessels of less than 24 m LOA that have fished for tropical tunas and swordfish outside of their EEZ during the previous year.</li> </ul>	<p>The Secretariat received information from 18 CPCs and 4 non-Contracting Parties for the year 2004.</p> <p>The new data were processed and input into the IOTC database.</p> <p>All records were reviewed by the Secretariat to identify possible errors. The Secretariat routinely investigates and resolves cases of duplication (e.g. due to misspelling of vessel names or misreporting of other vessel identifiers) and conflicting data. Conflicts in the data mainly occur when information reported by a flag state and a second party (usually a port state) does not match. Commonly, these include differences as to whether a particular vessel has been active in the Indian Ocean; vessel type; the gear being used; and what species were being targeted.</p> <p>Some parties have not provided lists of active vessels to-date, while other parties have missed reporting their lists for one or more years. When no report is received from a flag state it cannot be assumed that none of their vessels were active in the Indian Ocean. This has been borne out on many occasions when the Secretariat has received data from a port state that might indicate that a vessel not reported by a particular flag state was active.</p> <p>Overall, errors and gaps in reporting will affect the representativeness of the Record of Active Vessels and limit its utility.</p> <p>Other parties report lists of vessels authorized to operate in the Indian Ocean (Resolution 05/02) instead of lists of active vessels. Consequently they might not realise that they have not met their obligations with respect to Resolution 05/04.</p> <p>Information on the status of reporting concerning IOTC Resolution 05/04 for 2004 is given in Table 2.</p> <p>The numbers of domestic and foreign vessels reported as having operated within the IOTC Area per year since the implementation of Resolution 05/04 are shown in tables 3 and 4, respectively.</p>
<p>Contracting Parties which issue licences to foreign flag vessels to fish for tropical tunas and swordfish in the Area shall submit to the Secretary the same information on all vessels to which such licences have been issued, according to the same timetable.</p>	<p>The Secretariat received lists of foreign vessels from 8 CPCs (Madagascar, Malaysia, Oman, Sri Lanka, Thailand, United Kingdom overseas territories, Indonesia and South Africa), either licensed to operate in the Exclusive Economic Zone or putting in to ports in the country. One non-Member (Singapore) sent a list of</p>

Resolution 05/04 reporting requirements	Progress Achieved
	foreign vessels operating in the IOTC Area.
<p>The Secretary shall circulate this information annually, or upon request, to all Contracting Parties and Non-Contracting Parties cooperating with the IOTC.</p>	<p>The EC and Japan requested information from the IOTC List of Active Vessels. The Secretariat sent the data as requested. No other requests for 2004 data were received at the Secretariat.</p> <p>The list of vessels reported active during 2004 is available in electronic format.</p> <p><b>The Secretariat requests advice from the Commission regarding the confidentiality rules to apply regarding the Record of Active Vessels, especially with regard to requests for information from non IOTC Members.</b></p>

**Table 2:** The record of active vessels for 2004 (IOTC Resolution 05/04). The number and size-class of vessels reported by each country. The completeness of information columns pertain to the percentage of vessels for which required information was submitted to the Secretariat. A blank square indicates that no data was received. n/a = not applicable. Data as of April 2006.

Reported by	Domestic vessels									Foreign vessels								
	Ship No.	Length overall			Completeness of information (%)					Ship No.	Length overall			Completeness of information (%)				
		>=24m	<24m	Unknown	Registration number	Radio call sign	Length overall	Registered tonnage	Owner		>=24m	LOA <24m	Unknown	Registration number	Radio call sign	Length overall	Registered tonnage	Owner
Australia	17	15	0	2	29	0	88	82	0	0								
China	62	34	0	28	53	19	55	13	21	0								
Comoros																		
Eritrea																		
European Community	55	46	1	8	44	93	85	100	84	0								
France OT																		
Guinea	3	0	0	3	100	100	0	100	0	n/a								
India	2	2	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0								
Iran, Islamic Republic																		
Japan	181	164	0	17	92	92	91	91	97	n/a								
Kenya																		
Korea, Republic of	36	20	0	16	94	89	56	92	100	n/a								
Madagascar										81	53	9	19	44	79	77	93	90
Malaysia	14	4	0	10	43	0	29	36	21	33	3	0	30	82	0	9	55	0
Mauritius	8	3	3	2	13	50	75	63	100									
Oman	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	42	19	0	23	24	86	45	79	69
Pakistan																		
Philippines	25	21	0	4	100	96	84	88	60	n/a								
Seychelles	51	35	3	13	98	94	75	88	100									
Sri Lanka	0									28	7	0	21	43	36	25	50	32
Sudan																		
Thailand										241	17	10	214	68	2	11	18	17
United Kingdom OT	0									58	47	0	11	71	97	81	100	81
Vanuatu										n/a								
Indonesia	749	154	23	572	70	29	24	79	79	23	7	0	16	9	48	30	9	30
South Africa	9	6	0	3	67	67	67	67	67	19	14	0	5	89	89	74	84	100
Senegal	1	0	0	1	0	100	0	0	0	n/a								
Belize	19	5	0	14	37	26	26	47	58	n/a								
Singapore										218	76	2	140	25	32	36	67	39

Table 3: The Record of Active Vessels (IOTC Resolution 05/04). The numbers and size-classes of domestic vessels reported by each country since 1999. A blank square indicates that no data was received. This table was produced in response to a request from the Compliance Committee at Session 9. Data as of April 2006.

Reported by	Year 1999				Year 2000				Year 2001				Year 2002				Year 2003				Year 2004			
	No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. ship	Length overall		
		>=2 4m	<24 m	Unkn own		>=2 4m	<24 m	Unkn own		>=2 4m	<24 m	Unkn own		>=2 4m	<24 m	Unkn own		>=2 4m	<24 m	Unkn own		>=24 m	<24m	Unkn own
Australia	77	22	55	0	77	25	52	0	78	18	37	23	25	15	0	10	21	17	0	4	17	15	0	2
China	82	72	9	1	98	75	7	16	92	63	3	26	90	38	0	52					62	34	0	28
Comoros																								
Eritrea																								
European Community	122	83	0	39	57	54	0	3	63	50	0	13	137	70	1	66	42	39	1	2	55	46	1	8
France OT													2	2	0	0	3	3	0	0				
Guinea									2	0	0	2	3	0	0	3	3	0	0	3	3	0	0	3
India									3	2	0	1	3	2	0	1	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	0
Iran, Islamic Republic	4	4	0	0									6	2	0	4								
Japan	615	429	0	186	542	472	0	70	538	443	0	95	178	166	0	12	170	160	0	10	181	164	0	17
Kenya																								
Korea, Republic of	54	50	0	4	54	51	0	3					154	36	0	118					36	20	0	16
Madagascar	0				0				0				0				1	0	0	1				
Malaysia	0				0				0				18	0	0	18	9	1	0	8	14	4	0	10
Mauritius													5	0	0	5	7	3	4	0	8	3	3	2
Oman	0				0				0				0				0				4	0	0	4
Pakistan	0				0				0				0				0							
Philippines					17	15	0	2	17	13	0	4	33	4	0	29	25	23	0	2	25	21	0	4
Seychelles	7	6	0	1	15	12	1	2	55	37	14	4	63	38	0	25	59	38	4	17	51	35	3	13
Sri Lanka																					0			
Sudan																								
Thailand	3	0	0	3	3	2	0	1	2	1	0	1	4	2	0	2	2	1	0	1				
United Kingdom OT	0				0				0				0				0				0			
Vanuatu																								
Indonesia									1640	0	1	1639					1782	2	3	1777	749	154	23	572
South Africa																	12	0	0	12	9	6	0	3
Senegal																					1	0	0	1
Belize					109	41	0	68	38	26	1	11	24	20	1	3	8	2	0	6	19	5	0	14
Panama					10	4	0	6																
Netherlands Antilles					2	2	0	0																

**Table 4:** The records of active vessels (IOTC Resolution 05/04). The numbers and size-classes of foreign vessels reported by each country since 1999 (for countries in the Indian Ocean only). A blank square indicates that no data was received. This table was produced in response to a request from the Compliance Committee at Session 9. Data as of April 2006.

Reported by	Year 1999				Year 2000				Year 2001				Year 2002				Year 2003				Year 2004			
	No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. Ship	Length overall			No. ship	Length overall		
		>=24m	<24m	Unknown		>=24m	<24m	Unknown		>=24m	<24m	Unknown		>=24m	<24m	Unknown		>=24m	<24m	Unknown		>=24m	<24m	Unknown
Australia	0				0				0				0				0				0			
Comoros													159	128	4	27	84	72	2	10				
Eritrea																								
European Community	0				0				0				0				0				0			
France OT																								
India	11	11	0	0																	0			
Iran, Islamic Republic																								
Kenya																								
Madagascar	71	66	0	5	50	42	0	8	125	103	6	16	100	81	6	13	70	55	3	12	81	53	9	19
Malaysia									124	5	1	118	82	0	0	82	47	7	2	38	33	3	0	30
Mauritius	288	226	1	61	182	129	1	52	249	115	0	134	279	146	1	132	318	222	7	89				
Oman					16	12	0	4	20	14	0	6					29	21	0	8	42	19	0	23
Pakistan																								
Seychelles	186	172	2	12	237	188	0	49	13	7	0	6	28	2	24	2								
Sri Lanka																					28	7	0	21
Sudan																								
Thailand	273	43	29	201	223	44	3	176	163	44	5	114	203	30	4	169	206	19	12	175	241	17	10	214
United Kingdom OT	61	61	0	0	134	133	0	1	117	109	0	8	111	94	0	17	53	47	0	6	58	47	0	11
Indonesia					0				0				0				5	3	0	2	23	7	0	60
South Africa																	9	1	0	8	19	14	0	5
Mozambique	47	38	0	9																				
Singapore	265	207	56	2	194	170	3	21	195	109	3	83	227	118	1	108	216	134	2	80	218	76	2	140