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DRAFT GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING THE EASTERN ATLANTIC AND MEDITERRANEAN BLUEFIN TUNA FISHING, INSPECTION AND CAPACITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

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In accordance with the *Recommendation by ICCAT Amending the Recommendation 13-07 by ICCAT to Establish a Multi-annual Recovery Plan for Bluefin Tuna in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean* [Rec. 14-04], each Contracting Party and Cooperating non-Contracting Party, Entity or Fishing Entity (hereinafter referred to as CPC) which has eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna quota submits a fishing, inspection and capacity management plan. The Panel 2 (PA2) intersessional meeting reviews and endorses the submitted plans.

Each CPC should use the attached format (Annex) to prepare its eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna fishing, inspection and capacity management plan.

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Annex

EASTERN ATLANTIC AND MEDITERRANEAN BLUEFIN TUNA FISHING, INSPECTION AND CAPCITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Name of CPC: XXX

Fishing Plan

1. Introduction

Each CPC will provide a summary of its fishing plan, which includes information on their allocated quota, number of fishing vessels by gear type, and relevant national legislation.

2. Details of fishing plan

Each CPC will provide information on all fishing gear groups that catch Atlantic bluefin tuna, including the total number of vessels in each group, how quotas are allocated to each gear group and, where applicable, how they are allocated to each vessel in that group. CPCs will also provide information on method(s) used to manage quotas as well as how catches are monitored and controlled to ensure vessel and gear group quotas are respected.

CPCs should also complete the following table:

		Explanation of CPC	Relevant	Note
	ICCAT Requirement	actions taken to	domestic laws or	
	(per 14-04)	implement	regulations	
			<u>(as appropriate)</u>	
1.	Catch recording and reporting			
	(para. 61-67, 69)			
2.	Fishing Seasons (para. 18-23)			
3.	Minimum size (para. 26-28)			
4.	By-catch (para. 29)			
5.	Recreational and sports fisheries			
	(para, 30-34)			
6.	Transshipment			
	(para. 58-60)			
7.	VMS (para. 87)			
8.	CPC Observer (para. 88)			
9.	Regional observer			
	(para. 89-90)			
	Other requirements,			
	such as tagging program			

Inspection Plan

a) CPC's inspection (para 64, 99)

Each CPC will provide information on its inspection plan.

b) Joint international inspection (para 97-98)

Each CPC will provide information about joint international inspections that are implemented in accordance with Part V of Rec. 14-04 (if applicable).

Capacity Management Plan (para 35-42, 44-45a)

Each CPC will provide the number of fishing vessels and the corresponding fishing capacity using the template provided by the Secretariat.