

PAYBACK FOR BLUE AND WHITE MARLINS

Proposal submitted by the European Union

White Marlins

- In 2014 the European Union exceeded its white marlin quota by 52.21 tons. In 2015, in document COC-404, the European Union proposed a pay-back over two years of such overharvest (i.e. pay-back of 26.1 t in 2016 and 2017). The European Union has accordingly adjusted its quota to 23.9 t in 2016 and 2017.
- In 2015 the European Union quota (50 t) was exceeded by 67.19 t.
- For the 2015 overharvest, the EU proposes a pay-back of 33.6 t for both 2018 and 2019. The European Union adjusted quota for 2018 and 2019 will accordingly become 16.4 t.

Blue Marlins

- In 2014 the European Union overharvested 72.37 t. Last year, as clarified in document COC-404, the European Union deducted such overharvest from the 2016 quota, in accordance with Recommendation 12-04.
- In 2015 the EU quota (480 t) was exceeded by 130.51 t.
- For the 2015 overharvest, the European Union proposes a pay-back of 50.25 t in 2017 and 2018, taking into account the agreed transfer of 30 t of blue marlin from Venezuela to the European Union in 2017.