

**90-1      RESOLUTION BY ICCAT IN SUPPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 44/225, ADOPTED 22 DECEMBER 1989,  
REGARDING LARGE-SCALE PELAGIC DRIFTNET  
FISHING ON THE HIGH SEAS**

WHEREAS among the objectives of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas is to ensure the effective conservation and rational management of tuna and tuna-like fishes in the Atlantic Ocean, including the adjacent seas; and

WHEREAS Resolution 44/225 adopted by the United Nations general Assembly on 22 December 1989 on large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impacts on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas requests entities, such as the Commission, to study urgently large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impacts on the living marine resources and to report their views to the Secretary-General; and

WHEREAS Resolution 44/225 also calls on all members of the international community to cooperate so as to carry out its various provisions

now therefore

**THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION  
OF ATLANTIC TUNAS**

ENDORSES Resolution 44/225

NOTES that Resolution 44/225 recommends that all members of the international community agree that moratoria should be imposed on all large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing by 30 June 1992, with the understanding that such a measure will not be imposed in a region or, if implemented, can be lifted, should effective conservation and management measures be taken based upon statistically sound analysis to be jointly made by concerned parties of the international community with an interest in the fishery resources of the region, to prevent unacceptable impact of such fishing practices on that region and to ensure the conservation of the living marine resources of that region;

FURTHER NOTES, particularly relating to the possibility of movement of driftnet vessels from the southern Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean as a result of the moratorium on driftnet fishing provided in 4 (b) of Resolution 44/225, that resolution 44/225 calls for no expansion of large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing on the high seas in any of the world's oceans, including the Atlantic Ocean.

CALLS UPON all of its member nations to support the intent of the above Resolution 44/225 with regard to moratoria on large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and with regard to no expansion of large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing on the high seas in the Atlantic Ocean.