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RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT TO CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTEGRATED ONLINE REPORTING SYSTEM

RECALLING the *Recommendation by ICCAT for the Development of an Online Reporting System* (Rec. 16-19) adopted by the Commission in 2016;

NOTING that the reporting requirements of the Commission are numerous and change over time and that any such system must, by its nature, be broad in scope and dynamic;

RECOGNISING the progress made to date by the Online Reporting Technology Working Group and the Secretariat in the initial development of the system;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the substantial scale of the project requires work beyond the initial target completion date of 2019;

DESIRING to continue to find ways to enhance the effective functioning of the Commission, including by reducing the burden associated with ICCAT reporting requirements for both the Secretariat and the CPCs and increasing access to valuable information;

THE INTERATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF ATLANTIC TUNA RECOMMENDS THAT:

- 1. The Online Reporting Technology Working Group shall continue to work virtually and meet intersessionally as required in order to develop the Integrated Online Management System and complete its work plan.
- 2. The Working Group shall remain active following the completion of its work plan, which may be revised and amended as necessary, and until such time as the Commission decides otherwise. The tasks of the Working Group after the completion of its work plan shall be:
 - a) To oversee the incorporation into the online reporting system of any new Annual Report requirements:
 - b) To determine any redundant requirements for which reporting is no longer necessary;
 - c) With appropriate input from the Commission, to oversee development of additional system modules covering other ICCAT reporting requirements in order to establish a comprehensive and fully integrated online reporting system; and
 - d) Other tasks as the Commission may identify.
- 3. In carrying out the above tasks, the Working Group shall work in consultation with the SCRS, Compliance Committee, and other subsidiary bodies of the Commission as necessary and appropriate.
- 4. The Working Group shall continue to provide annual updates to the Commission regarding its activities, including presenting its proposal(s) for the content and format of the online reporting system and related modules for the Commission's consideration in order to inform design and development.
- 5. This Recommendation supplements the *Recommendation by ICCAT for the Development of an Online Reporting System* (Rec. 16-19) and repeals and replaces the *Recommendation by ICCAT to Continue the Development of an Integrated Online Reporting System* (Rec. 19-12).