

Compliance Summary Tables

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ALGERIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	PLE-143/2016 explained the 2015 over harvest at 2016 meeting,	No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing IRN number (IMO or other) for 1 vessel.			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits: E-BFT overcatch in 2015.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNC reports and explanation contained in COC-305.			Other issues: ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17		

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ANGOLA	Annual Reports/Statistics: Summary table Part 1 and summary table Part II are missing from Annual Report.	In November Angola informed the Secretariat of the following: We have not sent the compliance tables previously as we do not have Angolan vessels for tuna fisheries. Therefore, our catches are considered (0.0). Tuna species in Angola were caught by contracted vessels with foreign flags.	Letter on reporting issues and lack of response to 2015 COC letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual report submitted late (but before previous deadline). No explanation for "Not applicable" category. No Fleet characteristics data submitted (ST01).		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. No information on implementation of turtle and seabird by-catch mitigation and general by-catch/discard mitigation (not applicable, not explained). Vessels not included on tropical list but small quantities of tropical tunas reported.		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:		No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies	Other issues:		

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BARBADOS	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		Letter on BUM overharvest, N SWO development/ management plan, and lack of response to 2015 COC letter	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Part II of Annual Report submitted late.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02).		Barbados has replied to the letter.	Conservation and Management Measures: 15-01/16-01: No quarterly BET catch reports; Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 16-03. No N. SWO management plan submitted		
	Quotas and catch limits: overharvest of BUM: 33 t.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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BELIZE	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
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BRAZIL	Annual Reports/Statistics: Summary table (section 3) missing from Annual Report; Annual Report summary tables contain several blanks or "N/A" without explanation.		Letter on reporting and retroactive vessel authorization submission. Brazil has replied to the letter.	Annual Reports/Statistics: No annual report received. No statistical data received.	<u>Brazil requested a derogation of the application of the provisions of 11-15 due to very exceptional circumstances</u>	
	Conservation and Management measures: 13-13/14-10 & 14-01/15-01: retroactive registration of "+20m & TROP"-vessels; No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02).	Brazil went through profound restructuring and down sizing of fisheries department. Comitted to not be late in the future.		Conservation and Management measures: Rec. 15-01/16-01: No quarterly reports for bigeye tuna. No tropical tuna management plan. Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 16-03. No N. SWO management plan submitted		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
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CABO VERDE	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report summary tables contain several blanks or "N/A" without explanation.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	No action necessary.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No annual report received. No Task I or size data received. Some Catch & Effort data received late.		
	Conservation and Management Measures:	Conservation and Management Measures:		Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-01. No tropical tuna management plan		
	Quotas and catch limits:	Quotas and catch limits:		Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
	Other issues:	Other issues:		Other issues:		

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CANADA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Late submission of Annual Report (Part 2, received after reminder/4 days late).		No action necessary.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
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CHINA, People's Rep.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	<u>Our understanding is that the request of each CPC wishing to grant access to its ports to foreign fishing vessels shall designate its ports to which foreign fishing vessels may request entry pursuant to this Recommendation is not applicable to China as China is not Atlantic Ocean coastal state. However, from time to time, some carrier vessels carry tuna products caught only by Chinese fishing vessels operating in the ICCAT area entering into Chinese port, in this case, we are not sure such carrier vessels be regarded as foreign fishing vessels. Therefore, it is our understanding that the Rec.12-07 is not applicable to China. Up until now China has no authorized port for BFT landing and/or transshipment. In addition, China implemented the Customs Clearance system for any BFT products entering into Chinese territory, the fishing vessel owner or importer must apply the Customs Clearance Certificate to the Ministry of Agriculture, during this process, the relevant material/information including CDS, transshipment declaration, bill of lading must be showed to China fishery Authority, through this way we can monitor the BFT landing in the Chinese port.</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 12-07: No list of authorised ports submitted but no specific prohibition of entry by foreign vessels stipulated. Rec. 14-04: No list of authorised BFT ports submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Possible overharvest NSW.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: ROP_transshipment: PNC reports and explanation contained in COC-305. Japan requested information about the species landed under Rec. 12-06. Senegal informed the Secretariat in February 2016 of a port inspection report of October 2015 with apparent infringement (refer to doc. COC_307/16).	Will follow payback rules and make effort to avoid overharvest in future.		Other issues: ROP-transshipment PNCs presented in COC-305/17		

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CÔTE D'IVOIRE	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Late submission of Part 2 of Annual Report and no summary table for Part 2; Part 1 summary tables contain several blanks or "N/A" without explanation.		Letter on N SWO development/ management plan and reporting issues. Cote d'Ivoire has replied to the letter	Annual Reports/Statistics: Reporting summary of Annual report incomplete. <u>Revised version submitted, but still incomplete.</u>	<u>Submitted revised version [still incomplete]</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02). Late submission of statistical document data, Rec. 01-22.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-11 - no report on implementation of this Rec as old format for Annual Report used.	<u>Revised Annual Report received with information on sailfish annex presented as an appendix</u>	
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other Issues:			Other Issues: ROP-transshipment PNCs presented in COC-305/17	<u>Owner has been notified.</u>	

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CURAÇAO	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report Part 1 summary table not submitted; Part 2 summary table contains several blanks or "N/A" without explanation.		Letter on reporting issues. Curaçao has replied to the letter	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No explanation for "Not applicable" in all cases.		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 15-05. Answer insufficiently clear to cover requirements. No report on Rec. 16-11		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
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EGYPT	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2). No Task I T1FC fishing fleet form received (catches were sent).		Letter on reporting issues and lack of response to 2015 COC letter. Egypt has replied to the letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No explanation for "Not applicable" in all cases. No data on sharks or turtles reported. <u>Fleet characteristics (ST01) received late</u>	As it is prohibited to catch or trade sharks and turtles domestically or internationally, no one case has been reported since ever.	
	Conservation and Management Measures: No BCD annual report submitted, Rec. 11-20; No submission of MED-SWO list of authorised vessels and no closure report (Rec. 13-04); No report on the implementation of Rec. 14-04.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted <u>late</u> . Rec. 16-14. No information on domestic observer programmes for fisheries other than BFT Rec. 10-09: no details on implementation reported.	As it is prohibited to catch or trade sharks and turtles domestically or internationally, no one case has been reported since ever, and there is no fishing activity for this species. Unfortunately in 2016/2017 Egypt has faced some problems in the data collection, on the other hand the domestic program is under progress, unfortunately the economic circumstances doesn't support its development. Regarding Rec. 10-09 there is no by-catch for the turtles or seabirds recorded by domestic observers and due to the current economic circumstances and the high expenses, Egypt enforced the ICCAT Recommendation in this regard through the assigned inspectors in ports.	
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues: information on implementation of turtle, seabird, by catch and discard measures insufficient to cover the requirements	There is no by-catch for turtles or seabirds recorded by domestic observers in ports, also Egypt prohibits the catch of turtles and seabirds.	

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EL SALVADOR	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report Part 1 and 2 summary tables contain several blanks and "N/A" without explanation.		Letter on reporting issues	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:		El Salvador has replied to the letter	Conservation and Management Measures: <i>Rec. 16-13:</i> No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 16-01. No FAD management plan submitted. Rec. 12-07. No list of foreign vessel authorised ports/ contact points sumbitted		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.		Quotas and catch limits:			
	Other issues:		Other issues:			

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EU	Annual Reports/Statistics: clarification is requested for EU-Denmark, EU-Estonia, EU-Germany, EU-Latvia, EU-Lithuania and EU-Sweden for some historical Task I catches in the last decade (refer to doc. PLE_105/16, Table 2)	EU explained that it referred to by-catches previous to 2015 that were not reported in PLE 105/16.	Letter on BUM/WHM overharvest. EU has replied to the letter	Annual Reports/Statistics: Reporting on sea turtle and seabird interactions may be incomplete. Some size data missing for other EU member States	<u>Interaction on Sea turtles: this item is not relevant because in COC 303 the EU is not associated to incomplete submissions, and all EU data is referred in Table 10 of PLE 105. Interaction on Seabirds: as per Rec 11-09, there is no obligation to use mitigation measures north of 25° South, and referred to as on a voluntary basis for the Mediterranean Sea. Statistical data for EU Lithuania and EU Denmark: zero catch in 2016 has been confirmed for both; Rec 11-15 has been completed accordingly. Size data missing: Size data has been submitted for the whole EU, and not by EU-Member State; no incompliance detected.</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 14-04, para 52: Retroactive registry (2+months) of 37 EU-GREECE-flagged "E-BFT catching"-vessels, not in accordance with current regulation. BCD annual report submitted late for EU-Portugal, Rec. 11-20. Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing IRN numbers (IMO or others) for 2 EU-Croatian vessels. No VMS messages from EU-Portugal received in 2016.	EU-Greece sent registration info on time to DG MARE who, due to an IT error, did not receive it on time. EU explained that a new process has been introduced to ensure this doesn't happen again. One Croatian vessel is wooden and does not require IMO number and the IMO number of the other vessel was submitted. EU Portugal does not send VMS messages because it has no vessel targeting BFT.		Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 14-04: Implementation report submitted late due to confusion with previous deadline (was submitted before 15 Oct). Rec. 11-20: BCD annual report incomplete - no report for EU-France, EU-Italy and EU-Netherlands. Rec. 16-05, para 28: non-respect of "ALB-Med"-vessel submission deadline (20/07/2017 set by Circular #4454/17) regarding 6 EU-Cyprus vessels and 293 EU-Greece vessels. Rec. 16-11. Previous format of Annual Report received, so no report on implementation of Rec. 16-11, although sailfish included in Task 1. Rec. 15-05, information for EU-Portugal missing. Rec. 16-12. No information included in Annual Report. Rec. 12-07: List of authorised ports have not been submitted for all EU Member States, and no specific prohibition of entry by foreign vessels stipulated for those missing from the list (ports submitted for 8 Member States).	<u>Rec 14-04: Due to administrative reasons, the EU implementation report has been submitted after the 1st October (new deadline in 16-16), but before 15 October (previous deadline); Rec 11-20 Reports for EU France, EU Italy and EU Netherlands have been sent to ICCAT, after 16 October; Rec 16-05 & 28: Due to administrative reasons, the SWO Med vessels lists for EU Greece and EU Cyprus have been submitted after the entry into force of Rec 16-05. For the year 2017, this is not contrary to Rec 16-05. Rec 16-11: Due to administrative reasons, the EU has used to the previous format for the Annual report. However, all the requested data has been reported. An addendum on Section III (sailfish) has been sent on 7 November, but the data was initially submitted in Task 1. Rec 15-05: EU Portugal has no vessel targeting BFT, which explains the absence of VMS data. Rec 16-12: The actions to be taken domestically by all EU Member States to monitor catches of blue sharks are detailed in the EU legislation. All EU measures have been reported in the shark check sheets in COC 302. Rec 12-07: The list of designated ports submitted by the EU is valid for the EU as a whole and includes all EU Member States concerned. The list has not been modified in 2017 from previous years.</u>	
	Quotas and catch limits: BUM/WHM overharvest.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNCs under ROP-BFT contained in COC-305.			Other issues: Presented under Rec. 08-09, allegations of potential non compliance by several Tunisian purse seine vessels in June 2017. See document number COC-307/17 ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17 .		

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FRANCE (St. Pierre & Miquelon)	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Rec. 16-14. No information on domestic scientific observer programme.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: BCD Annual Report submitted late, Rec. 11-20.			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
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GABON	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2).		Letter on reporting issues and lack of response to 2015 COC letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report received late and not complete; no statistical data received		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted., no response to Rec. 16-11.		
	Quotas and catch limits:		No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables submitted more than two months after deadline reporting 0 catches.		
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GHANA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In annual report parts 1, 2, summary tables: several N/As without explanation.		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No explanation for "Not applicable" category. Task II size data not submitted.	AVDTH protocol as prescribed to Ghana by SCRS-ICCAT cannot estimate the length frequencies in the classical format as requested on the form. All length frequencies for species have been captured in the AVDTH databases which includes yellowfin, skipjack and bigeye and other tuna-like species.	
	Conservation and Management Measures: late submission of statistical document data, Rec. 01-21 & Rec. 01-22.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-11. Sailfish catches reported in Task I, but no report on 16-11 made in annual report (reported not applicable)	Education of crew onboard have been ongoing since 2012 with seminars and training workshops being held by ISSF/AZTI officials in Ghana code named "Skippers workshops". Methods and types of FADs to use and release strategies for endangered species have been shown and illustrated to the industry. Skippers and crew are well aware of steps to reduce the entanglement and destruction of species which are endangered and becoming extinct. This initiative from ISSF will continue in subsequent years.	
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits: Overharvest of bigeye tuna.		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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GUATEMALA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report submitted late (following Secretariat reminder, Parts 1 and 2). In Annual Report summary tables, several N/As without explanation.		Letter on reporting issues. Guatemala replied to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits:		
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GUINEA BISSAU	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report received; no statistical data received		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
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GUINEA ECUATORIAL	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report summary tables (part 1 and 2) missing.	Part I and Part II summary tables have been submitted on 18 November 2016. On the other hand, Equatorial Guinea explained that it does not have a national fishing fleet and that many of the forms are difficult to complete such as the CP 13/Compliance tables. Equatorial Guinea therefore requires assistance as it has a lot of deficiencies.	Letter on reporting issues	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report received late.		
	Conservation and Management Measures:		Guinea Equatorial has sent an e-mail message in reply to the letter	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 12-07 List of authorised ports not submitted (included in Annual Report but not with all required details).		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received.			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
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GUINEA Rep.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2).	Since 2015, the Republic of Guinea did not issue any tuna fishing licenses for vessels flying a Guinean flag. Moreover, within the framework of the EU fishing agreements, there have been no cases. Thus, no tuna statistics are available between 2015 and 2016. The reasons to explain the absence of tuna fishing vessels flying Guinean flag are explained in the 2015 Annual Report of the Republic of Guinea. On the other hand, it should be noted that Guinea issued three fishing licenses to vessels flying a Senegalese flag: Granada, Western Kim, Solevant. These vessels do not land their catches in Guinea.	Letter on reporting issues. No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No annual report received; no statistical data received.	<u>Between 2013 and 2016, the Republic of Guinea was included by the European Union in the list of non-cooperating third countries in the fight against IUU fishing. During this period, many measures were taken whose implementation has required reorganization of the structures involved in data provision and processing. In addition, there is currently no vessel flying the Guinean flag targeting tuna and tuna-like species monitored by ICCAT. However, some individuals are landed at the different artisanal fishing ports. Moreover, administrative staff mobility, limited human capacities and difficulties in monitoring artisanal fishing activities, have not favoured the collection, processing and submission of information and data. Guinea requests an extension of the deadline for submission of this information and data until the end of the 1st semester 2018 and in that time, Guinea would like technical assistance in this area.</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 16-01. No tropical tuna management plan		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received.			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
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HONDURAS	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2) late during the Commission meeting. No Task I or standard format zero catch report received.	In November Honduras informed the Secretariat that in 2015 there was no fishing activity targeting species managed by ICCAT in the ICCAT Convention area.	Letter on reporting issues. No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: <u>Annual Report and statistical data received late (during meeting).</u>		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No <u>Shark measures implementation check sheet</u> submitted late (during meeting).		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late during the Commission meeting.			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
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ICELAND	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: BCD annual report submitted late, Rec. 11-20.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 14-04 Implementation report received slightly late (but before previous deadline).		
	Quotas and catch limits: E-BFT overcatch in 2015.			Quotas and catch limits:		
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JAPAN	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 12-07. No list of authorised ports for foreign vessel entry but no specific prohibition of entry by foreign vessels stipulated.		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNCs reported under transshipment programmes and explanations contained in COC-305.			Other issues: ROP-transshipment PNCs presented in COC-305/17		
		In August 2016, Japanese vessels have started to use bound logbooks or e-logbooks.			Japan has ratified the <u>FAO Port State Measures Agreement in 2017.</u> <u>Currently, the government is working on detailed internal regulations to implement the Agreement, which will contain designated port for foreign vessels. Japan will inform such information to the Secretariat as soon as finalizing internal arrangements.</u>	

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KOREA, Rep. of	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02) late, at annual meeting. BCD annual report submitted late, Rec. 11-20.	Captains say some non-tuna species are not profitable to be landed/transshipped.		Conservation and Management Measures: Rec.01-21 & Rec. 01-22, para 5; 7-day late "CP16-SDP_BiRp"-submissions		
	Quotas and catch limits:					
	Other issues: PNCs reported under transshipment programmes contained in COC-305. Japan requested information about the species landed under Rec. 12-06.			Other issues: ROP-transshipment PNCs presented in COC-305/17.		

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LIBERIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		Identification due to: 1. lack of sufficient actions to address unauthorized transshipment by New Bai 168; 2. lack of clarity as to Liberia's ability to effectively control its carrier vessels to ensure respect of ICCAT requirements, including ability to impose sanctions for violations of ICCAT requirements that are adequate in severity to be effective in securing compliance and to discourage violations wherever they occur; 3. effective coordination among relevant Liberian agencies	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Not applicable not explained. Statistics not correctly reported. Task II catch & effort or size data could not be processed.	Liberia commenced tuna licenses in 2016 and can only report on 3 of the 9 species designated for reporting, namely marlin, albacore and bigeye. The remaining 6 species cannot be reported on because they are not found in Liberia's Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ) and other species like swordfish fishing are not been granted license. Under sheet 2 of CP-13 which require for size limits for swordfish and bluefin tuna, Liberia has not granted any fishing rights for vessels targeting said species. Sheet 3 of CP-13 which calls for data on over and under harvest, Liberia unfortunately cannot report on this because vessels licensed to fish tuna in Liberia's EEZ are all foreign flagged vessels.	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 12-06. Report on transshipment submitted one week late. Rec.12-07. No list of designated ports into which foreign vessels may enter reported. Rec. 15-01/16-01: Catches of tropical tuna reported but no vessels on tropical list.		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: Senegal informed the Secretariat in February 2016 of a port inspection report of October 2015 with apparent infringement (refer to doc. COC_307/16).			Other issues:		
		Liberia informed the COC that it would submit its law provisions and that Liberia would soon adopt a new fisheries Act. It requested that New Bai 168 be listed in the ICCAT IUU list	No reply to 2017 COC identification letter.			

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LIBYA	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		Letter on reporting issues (SWO-Med). Libya has replied to the letter. Libya has also sent a response to allegations of infractions contained in an inspection report issued by EU in 2016. This response is contained in COC-303/2017 Addendum 1.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Not applicable not fully explained. Information reported on foreign ports does not match information submitted.	Although Libya tried to follow the Guidelines for reporting on occasions mistakes occurred. For issues where "not applicable" was mentioned short explanations were provided as far as possible; only BFT is targeted. Regarding foreign ports mentioned in the Annual Report these are located in neighbouring countries (Tunisia, Turkey).	
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 13-04: late submission of SWO-Med vessels and no closure report; 14-04: Late submission of BFT Ports (after 1 March deadline but before fishing season). Submission of a "E-BFT Catching"-vessel in replacement to a deactivated one not sufficiently justified as <i>force majeure</i> (not documented). EU informed the COC that it would contact Libya about this issue/vessel seized.			Conservation and Management Measures: No information on implementation of shark, turtle, by-catch/discard measures.		
		Vessel was replaced as one was seized by Italian authorities with no further information available.			Libya provided some information on implementation of measures on targeted BFT Some information is missing on by-catch as it was not reported by ROP or any Other Observers. No by-catch were discarded, even small sizes bluefin tuna.	

Quotas and catch limits:		Quotas and catch limits:		
Other issues: PNCs under ROP-BFT contained in COC-305. EU informed that no reply to the inspection report (Rec. 14-04, Annex 7) was received.		Other issues: ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17.		

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MAURITANIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Task I or standard format zero catch report received. No Task II received. Summary table (section 3) missing from Annual Report.		Letter on reporting issues (no SWO plan submitted) and lack of reply to 2015 COC letter. Mauritania has replied to the letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No reporting summary for Part II. Part I summary may be incomplete. Statistical data in incorrect format which could not be processed. Report indicated fishing while under prohibition.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO management plan submitted.			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline. Report indicates harvest of ICCAT species in 2016 while under prohibition.		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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MEXICO	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	Mexico stated that only 6 IMO numbers are missing and that these would be submitted.	No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Not applicable, not explained in many cases.	Revised report received with additional explanation	
	Conservation and Management Measures: No BCD annual report submitted, Rec. 11-20. Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing IRN numbers (IMOs or others) for 11 vessels.			Conservation and Management Measures: Sailfish catches reported in Task I, but no report on 16-11 made in Annual Report (reported not applicable). Rec. 12-07: No list of authorised ports submitted and no specific prohibition of entry by foreign vessels stipulated.	Mexico continues maintaining a 100% onboard observer coverage in fishing trips. This information is reported to ICCAT and it includes dead and live discards as part of the presentation of Task I and Task II. In accordance with the General Law of Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture of Mexico, there is no list of specific ports for the entry of foreign vessels, however and in accordance with the abovementioned law: "All foreign vessels requiring entry into Mexican ports, should require a license to unload live, fresh, iced and frozen live fish products from commercial fishing. To do this, the interested parties should attach to their application the corresponding title covering the fishing activity that was carried out and was issued by the competent authority of the country of origin, and comply with the requirements established in the regulation of this Law.	
	Quotas and catch limits: overcatch of BUM			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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MOROCCO	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management: Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing INR numbers (IMOs or others) for 30 vessels.	Morocco transmitted its response to the ICCAT Secretariat stating that among the aforementioned 30 vessels only 6 must have an IMO No. These vessels are inactive since 2012. The other 24 vessels include wooden vessels (WOD) and/or are made of steel, however with a GRT which is less than 100 t (JUS). These 24 vessels are reported to the Secretariat in accordance with ICCAT regulations in force.		Conservation and Management:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNCs under ROP-BFT contained in COC-305.	Morocco sent its response to the ICCAT Secretariat on 29/09/2016 indicating that this operation was repeated in accordance with the provisions of Article 76 and Annex 8 of Rec. 14-04. Thereafter, the counting and estimation of the fish was carried out successfully as there was a video recording with better quality allowing the observer to sign the ITD.		Other issues: ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17	Response in COC-305. Following a remark of the ICCAT observer mentioned in COC-305 Report, Annex 2 concerning Morocco: Bluefin tuna is caged without authorisation number/transfer operation 12 with the same AUT number as transfer number 13.I would like to inform you that this does not refer to a missing caging authorisation number, as the caging authorisation exists and it is authentic and the number is correct. It is the transfer authorization of another catch that includes a numbering error. To this effect, it should be noted that two authorizations are authentic and include entirely different real data, which demonstrates that there is an involuntary error in the transfer authorization number.	

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NAMIBIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	<u>Tropical management plan: This was a failure from our side. We have already made an effort to consult our capital and will try our level best to submit the above mentioned management plan and all other incomplete data before the end of the Annual meeting. With regards to the retroactive of 1 Namibian flag ‘ P20m’ vessel not in accordance with current regulation. Namibia acknowledged that she did not comply with the current regulation due to internal miss communication. Namibia has already strengthened its internal control measures to avoid repeating the same mistakes in the future and we commit to improve our compliance with all ICCAT conservation and management measures.</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-01. No tropical tuna management plan. Rec. 13-13/14-10; Paras 2 and 3 / Paras 1 and 2; Retroactive registry 1 NAMIBIA-flagged "P20m"-vessel, not in accordance with current regulation. Rec. 16-14. Difficulties in implementing this recommendation have been reported. Rec. 16-11 Previous format of Annual Report used; no report on implementation of this Recommendation received. Implementation of Rec. 10-09 may be incomplete.		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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NICARAGUA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2). No Task 1 or standard format zero catch report received. No Task II received.		Letter on continued reporting issues. Nicaragua has replied to the letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report received <u>late (during meeting)</u>	Does not have a tuna fleet or flag vessel operating in the ICCAT area.	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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NIGERIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Part II of Annual Report submitted (the reporting table for Part II has been submitted).	Nigeria informed the Secretariat that in 2015 it did not operate tuna fishing vessel and had no Access Agreement with any country.	No action necessary.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Only reporting tables of Annual Report received. <u>Summary received late</u>	Nigeria has no quota allocation and has no tuna fishing vessel. Therefore no data to report.	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits: Have reported zero catch in the Compliance tables	<u>No fishing licences issues and no access agreements.</u>	
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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NORWAY	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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PANAMA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts I and II). No Task I T1FC fishing fleet form received (catches were sent).		Letter on reporting and VMS issues. No <u>Reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies received late (during meeting).</u>	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report received <u>late (during meeting)</u> . No fleet characteristics (ST01) received. <u>Not applicable not sufficiently explained in all cases</u>		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No reply to VMS questions of the Secretariat to NAF format issues.	Panama has had issues with IT. Several VMS messages were sent in incorrect format. The correct VMS messages will be submitted.		Conservation and Management Measures: Still problems with NAF format of VMS messages; Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted <u>late, during meeting</u> ; Rec. 16-01. No tropical tuna management plan. Rec. 12-06/16-15. No in port transshipment report received		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables submitted late		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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PHILIPPINES	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2).		Letter on reporting issues, no N SWO management plan, no response to 2015 COC letter. No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report received	There are no provisions where the Philippines can indicate that there were no active nor listed fishing vessels in the Convention area. For reportorial requirements under Rec. 16-01, the Philippines cannot submit reports because there were no active nor listed fishing vessels in the Convention area for the year 2016.	
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02).			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: No active fishing vessel in the ICCAT Convention area for 2015.			Quotas and catch limits: Have reported zero catch.		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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RUSSIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Not applicable, not explained. No information regarding sea turtle interaction or mitigation of by-catch/discards.		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 12-07. No list of ports into which foreign vessels may enter or contact points submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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SAO TOME & PRINCIPE	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2).	Sao Tomé mainly conducts artisanal and subsistence fishing and it does not target ICCAT species. Industrial fishing is conducted by the foreign fleet within the framework of the agreement between the EU and Sao Tomé as well as some foreign vessels operating under private access agreements based on private licenses. Sao Tomé also explained that their catches are by-catch.	Identification due to continued significant reporting issues (5th year in a row no Annual Report), possible overharvest of WHM, and lack of response to 2015 COC Chair letter; letter to also inquire about BUM catches. STP replied to the letter and submitted BUM data for 2015-2016.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No reporting summary for Part II, and Part I submitted late (before Part II deadline). No observer data submitted due to infancy of programme. No shark data improvement plan reported, and no informaton on sea turtle interaction or by-catch/discard mitigation. No Task II catch and effort or size data received.		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 15-01/16-01: No quarterly BET catch reports.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late. "N/A" on BUM/WHM table. Overharvest of S-SWO, BUM, WHM.			Quotas and catch limits: Rec. 16-01. No tropical tuna management plan		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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SENEGAL	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In Annual Report Parts 1 and 2 several blanks and N/As without explanations.		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No scientific observer programme yet in place. Reporting summary tables incomplete, and some explanations for not applicable missing in Part I. Fleet characteristics (ST01) received late.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 01-21/01-22, para 5: Late submission of statistical document data.			Conservation and Management Measures: Sailfish catches reported in Task I, but no report on Rec. 16-11 made in Annual Report. Rec. 15-01/16-01: List of authorized vessels which fished BET/YFT/SKJ tuna in previous year (2016).		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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SIERRA LEONE	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No Annual Report submitted (Parts 1 and 2). No Task I or standard format zero catch report received. No Task II received.		Identification due to continued significant reporting issues (5th year in a row no Ann Rpt) and lack of response to 2015 COC Chair letter. No reply to 2017 COC identification letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No annual report received ; no statistical data received.		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received.			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.		
	Other issues: 5th year in row with no Annual Report submitted.			Other issues:		

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SOUTH AFRICA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Late submission in November of Annual Report (Parts 1 and 2); Task I and Task II data submitted late. No Task I T1FC fishing fleet form received (catches were sent).	South Africa stated that only 3 IMO numbers are still outstanding and will be submitted as soon as possible.	Letter on continued reporting issues and lack of reply to 2015 COC letter. No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing IRN numbers (IMOs or others) for 16 vessels.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No Shark measures implementation check sheet submitted <u>late (during meeting)</u> .		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits: No completed Compliance tables submitted.		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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ST.VINCENT & THE GRENADINES	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report received late (at Annual meeting).	SVG committed to send it on time next year.	Letter on continued reporting issues, no N SWO development/management plan, and lack of response to 2015 letter. Reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting <u>deficiencies received late, during meeting.</u>	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual report submitted late (but before previous deadline). No information from domestic observer programmes as still being established, No plan for improving shark data collection/ interaction with turtles, mitigation of by-catch/discards.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02).	Has been sent to Secretariat on 18 November 2016		Conservation and Management Measures: N.SWO Management plan submitted late. Rec. 16-13: Shark measures implementation check sheet submitted late. Sailfish catches reported in Task I, but no report on Rec. 16-11 made in Annual Report (reported not applicable). Rec. 16-01. Tropical tuna management plan submitted late. Responses to Recs. 15-05 and 16-11 may be insufficient to meet the requirements. Rec. 12-06: Transshipment report submitted late.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late. Overharvest N-ALB.	Stated that it would rectify in 2016 using pay-back system.		Quotas and catch limits: Adjusted quota for N-ALB and N-SWO for 2016 and 2017 might need some revision or explanation.		
	Other issues: PNCs reported under transshipment programmes contained in COC-305.			Other issues: ROP-transshipment PNCs presented in COC-305/17 ;		

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SYRIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: No annual report submitted (Parts 1 and 2). No Task 1 T1FC fishing fleet form received (catches were sent).	Syria was not present at the meeting. In a message to the Secretariat it explained that fishing in Syria is traditional, and vessels traditionally operate in territorial water and not equipped to target tuna species. Only one vessel equipped to participate in BFT fishing activities (Fesal) which used to catch Syrian quota previously. Syrian quotas of BFT transferred, and no landing of BFT. Most requirements in Part I are not applicable in Syria (farming , landing, tuna caging, tuna traps, etc.).	Letter on continued reporting issues, no VMS messages. No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual report submitted late (but before previous deadline). No fleet characteristics (ST01) received.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No submission of MED-SWO list of authorised vessels (Rec. 13-04) and no closure report (Rec. 13-04); Late submission of 14-04 implementation report. No VMS messages received in 2016.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted. Rec. 14-04 Implementation report received slightly late (but before previous deadline). No monthly BFT catch report received.		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNCs under ROP-BFT contained in COC-305.			Other issues: ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17;		

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TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In Annual Report Part 1, several N/As without explanation.	Not present at the meeting.	Identification for continued and significant white marlin and blue marlin overharvests . Trinidad & Tobago has replied to the letter.	Annual Reports/Statistics: not applicable not explained in reporting summary. No report on bycatch/discards or turtle mitigation.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 01-21/01-22, para 5: Late submission of statistical document data.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 12-07. no designated list of authorised ports or contact points submitted. Have reported difficulties in implementing this Rec. Rec. 01-21 & Rec. 01-22: incomplete bi-annual reports (2nd Semester 2016) and late submission (1st Semester 2017).		
	Quotas and catch limits: Continued overharvest BUM and WHM overharvest. No management plan presented.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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TUNISIA	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In Annual Report parts 1 and 2 summary tables, several blanks and N/As without explanation.	The missing IMO number is due to the change of ownership of the vessel: it will be submitted.	Letter on reporting issues. Tunisia has replied to the letter	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No submission of MED-SWO list of authorised vessels (Rec. 13-04). Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing IRN number (IMO or other) for 1 vessel.			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.	Quotas and catch limits:				
	Other issues: PNCs under ROP-BFT contained in COC-305. EU requested some explanations about 3 inspection reports under Annex 7 of Rec. 14-04.	Tunisia submitted a written response during the meeting (posted as Annex 8 to doc. COC-303/16)		Other issues: Received, in application of Rec. 08-09, a report from the European Union (EU) on potential non compliance by several Tunisian purse seine vessels in June 2017 and replied to the initial information submitted by the EU (refer to Doc. COC-307/17); ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17.		

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TURKEY	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	1. We confirm that the authorized list of SWO-Med vessels submitted late (on 26 January 2016, with 11 days delay). A clarification was sent to the Secretariat (on 28 January) that indicates the fact that the inadvertent delay occurred in submitting the required data/information was caused by technical issues arising from the recent updating and integration works on Ministry's web-based information system. Correspondingly, vessel registrations made by Ministry's provincial directorates from different regions – including vessels those targeting Med-SWO – have sporadically been interrupted due to the said process of renovation and integration works at the system (Turkish fishery information system.) Since acquiring the data on registered vessels from regions retarded temporarily, by extension, processing and submitting these data to ICCAT had to delay as well. Necessary measures have been taken to avoid repetition of similar inconveniences. 2. Timely reporting and recording of authorized BFT Catching and Other Vessels has been made. Total number of BFT Other Vessels has been 32 in 2016. Regarding this exceptional case, we fully aware of the 15 days requirement for notification, in the first place. Our authority received an “extension of E-BFT Other vessel authorization” request from an operator. Questioning its appropriateness, and considering that the vessel in question is an already authorized vessel having no previous record of illegal fishing, and also since the vessel has no IUU fishing potential or a capacity to catch tuna, the request was conveyed to the Secretariat, as it was regarded that the operator unintentionally failed to notice informing our authority of the expired extension, for only once. Then the secretariat notified that the requested updates to the authorization was made, indicating that the issue was reported to the COC. The operation has been instructed to take much care of the required procedures, and necessary administrative measures have been taken to avoid repetition of similar incidents. 3. We confirm that the 1st April deadline for submission was missed one week since the required trade data could not be acquired in good time. Necessary administrative measures have been taken by our authority.	Letter on vessel submissions. Turkey replied to the letter explaining a technical issue that entailed some exceptional delay in the submission.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Task II catch and effort data could not be processed		
	Conservation and Management Measures: 1.) Late submission of SWO-Med vessels, Rec. 13-04; 2.) Submission of a "E-BFT other"-vessel not in accordance with Rec. 14-04, para 52; 3.) Late submission of statistical document data, Rec. 01-21 & Rec. 01-22.			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNCs under ROP-BFT contained in COC-305.	Investigation of the reported PNCs been made through a detailed examination of the related footages, information and documents. Results have been reported and shared with the related parties in a timely and transparent manner. Findings of the regional observer (ROP-BFT) missions and on-site inspections have indicated no irregularities and inconsistencies about the declared number and weight of fish transferred to cages (i.e, no unreported fish or fish exceeding the declared quantity were detected, etc.).		Other issues: ROP-BFT PNCs presented in Doc. COC-305/17. Has presented possible IUU activities by two EU-Greece vessels, as reported in the draft IUU list.		

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UNITED KINGDOM (OTs)	Annual Reports/Statistics: the Annual Report contains several dates referring to 2014 and 2015.		Letter on reporting issues. UK-OT has replied to the letter.	Annual Reports/Statistics: Part II Annual Report and BCD annual report submitted late (but within previous deadline). Difficulties in implementing domestic observer programmes reported. No Plan for improving data collection for sharks on a species specific level yet. No fleet characteristics (ST01)- or catch & effort received for UK Bermuda, and size data missing for UK Bermuda and UK St Helena	UKOT have indicated that some of their territories could not report in a timely manner due to the extensive hurricane damage. <u>Some data from UKOT (Bermuda) received late due to communication problems. Original mail sent July but not received at Secretariat. Annual Reports/Statistics: Part II Annual Report and BCD annual report submitted within the given deadline. Unfortunately errors were identified and so the reports were resubmitted with amendments on 12 October, which was within the deadline for submission of documents for consideration at the Annual Meeting:- Difficulties in implementing domestic observer programmes reported: The majority of tuna catch in the UKOTs is taken in the St Helena fishery. A domestic observer programme has now been implemented in St Helena, with 7% observer coverage achieved in 2016. The programme has continued in 2017 and will be maintained for 2018. The small catches on Bermuda are taken by small inshore vessels scattered around the island, making both observer coverage and data collection very difficult but we will seek to make improvements on our reporting. - No Plan for improving data collection for sharks on a species specific level submitted: The catch of sharks in the UKOTs is very small. In St Helena, a single shark was caught in 2016, and in Bermuda, the majority of captured sharks were released alive. St Helena started a conventional tagging programme in late 2015, and during 2016 a total of 537 yellowfin and 65 skipjack</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures: No BCD Annual Report submitted, Rec. 11-20.			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 12-07. No list of designated ports or contact points submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits:		

	Other issues:		Other issues:	<p>were double tagged, in accordance with ICCAT protocols. Data from the tagging programme is submitted to ICCAT on a regular basis. No list of designated ports or contact points submitted: The UKOTs have limited port facilities and are rarely visited by foreign fishing vessels, hence no ports have been designated under Recommendation 12-07. The UKOTs will review this obligation and if necessary submit the relevant information by the end of the year.</p>	
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<i>CPC</i>	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2016</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2016</i>	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2017</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2017</i>
UNITED STATES	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In Annual Report Part 1, several N/As without explanation.		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

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CPC	Potential issues of non-compliance-2016	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2016	Potential issues of non-compliance-2017	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2017
URUGUAY	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In Annual Report Parts 1 and 2, several blanks and N/As without explanation.		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Sections 4 and 5 in Part II of Annual Report submitted late. Not applicable not explained in summary table.	<u>Uruguay did not participate in any fisheries within the framework of ICCAT. There was no fishing effort and therefore there were zero catches. Thus, the implementation sheet was not sent. This also explains why N/A appears in some parts of the Annual Report.</u>	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues: Have reported zero catch		

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<i>CPC</i>	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2016</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2016</i>	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2017</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2017</i>
VANUATU	Annual Reports/ Statistics: In Annual Report Part 1, several blanks and N/As without explanation. No Task I or standard format zero catch report received. No Task II received.	Vanuatu was not present at the meeting. In the summary table of Part 2 Annual Report informs: "Task I and Task II: nothing to report on since there was no fishing activities carried out in 2015."	Letter on continued reporting issues, no N SWO fishing/management plan. No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report submitted not complete (received summary and reporting summary Table 2).	There were no fishing activity in the ICCAT area in 2016.	
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02). Rec. 12-06: No report on transshipment received (for carrier vessels operating in 2015).			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 12-07 No list of designated ports or contact points submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: some CPCs would have liked to ask some questions to Vanuatu about its transshipment activities.			Other issues:		

2016				2017		
CPC	Potential issues of non-compliance-2016	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2016	Potential issues of non-compliance-2017	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2017
VENEZUELA	Annual Reports/Statistics: In Annual Report Parts 1 and 2, several blanks and N/As without explanation	IMO details have been requested from vessel owners. There has been a restructuring of fishing duties which have been taken over by the Dept of Agriculture. Will submit updated list with the 8 IMO numbers.	Letter on reporting issues, no N SWO development/management plan, continued N. ALB and WHM overharvest. Late reply received to the 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report submitted late (but before previous deadline) and incomplete - many entries reference 2016 report or shown not applicable without explanation.		
	Conservation and Management Measures: No N-SWO plan received (Rec. 13-02). Rec. 13-13, paras 5bis/5tris: missing IRN numbers (IMOs or others) for 8 vessels.	Albacore is not targetted, are making attempts to reduce overharvest. Discard measures being added to national legislation in January 2016.		Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: Shark measures implementation check sheet submitted late. Sailfish catches reported in Task I, but no report on 16-11 made in annual report (reference made to 2016 report, but requirement is new in 2017).		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late. Continued N-ALB overharvest. Significant WHM overharvest.			Quotas and catch limits: continued overharvest of north albacore and white marlin		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

BOLIVIA	2016			2017		
	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2016</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2016</i>	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2017</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2017</i>
	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Annual Report submitted late. No Task 1 or standard format zero catch report received. No Task II received.	Bolivia informs that they do not account for a fleet of fishing vessels operating in the ICCAT area. Bolivia has not carried out fishing operations, therefore it reiterates that it has had "0" catches during the 2015 and 2016 management, as a result there are no scientific data.	Cooperating status letter to note late reporting issues. Has requested renewal of cooperating status.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:	The Plurinational State of Bolivia does not have fishing vessels that operate in the ICCAT Convention area.	
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables received.			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

CHINESE TAIPEI	2016			2017		
	Potential issues of non-compliance-2016	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2016	Potential issues of non-compliance-2017	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2017
	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		Letter on retroactive vessel submission. Chinese Taipei has replied to the COC Chair letter.	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 12-06: Annual list of LSPLVs authorised to tranship incomplete - one vessel included retroactively.	Chinese Taipei explained that retroactivity was due to an oversight.		Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits:			Quotas and catch limits:		
	Other issues: PNC reports and explanation contained in COC-305. Senegal informed the Secretariat in February 2016 of a port inspection report of October 2015 with apparent infringement (refer to doc. COC_307/16). EU asked what actions had been taken with the owner of the vessel New Bai 168 who was from Chinese Taipei. Japan requested information about the species landed under Rec. 12-06.			Other issues: ROP-transshipment PNCs presented in COC-305/17		

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COSTA RICA	Potential issues of non-compliance-2017	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2017
	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Zero catch reported		
	Other issues:	Has requested renewal of cooperating status.	

2016				2017		
GUYANA	Potential issues of non-compliance-2016	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2016	Potential issues of non-compliance-2017	Response / explanation by CPC	Actions taken in 2017
	Annual Reports/ Statistics: Summary table (section 3) missing from Annual Report.	In 2015 Fisheries Department gave permission to one local company to use one vessel to conduct research on harvesting tuna. The total submitted to Department are as follows; swordfish 339 pounds and 12,063 pounds of bigeye tuna. There is no quota system in place and fishes caught were sold directly to Trinidad.	Letter on reporting issues	Annual Reports/ Statistics: <u>No statistical data received. No Part I and no Part II reporting summary received. No fleet characteristics (ST01) received.</u>		
	Conservation and Management Measures:		No reply to 2017 COC letter regarding reporting deficiencies.	Conservation and Management Measures: Rec. 16-13: No shark measures implementation check sheet submitted.		
	Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables received late.			Quotas and catch limits: Compliance tables submitted more than 2 months after deadline.		
	Other issues:			Other issues:		

SURINAME	2016			2017		
	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2016</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2016</i>	<i>Potential issues of non-compliance-2017</i>	<i>Response / explanation by CPC</i>	<i>Actions taken in 2017</i>
	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		No action necessary	Annual Reports/ Statistics:		
	Conservation and Management Measures:			Conservation and Management Measures:		
	Quotas and catch limits: no vessels targetting tuna and tuna-like species in 2015.			Quotas and catch limits: No Compliance tables submitted before the deadline.	<u>Suriname has no vessels fishing for ICCAT species in the Atlantic and no catches to report</u>	
	Other issues:			Other issues:		