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<u>DRAFT RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT AMENDING</u> RECOMMENDATION 15-10 ON THE APPLICATION OF THE EBCD SYSTEM

(Proposal submitted by Japan)

RECOGNIZING the importance and utility of the eBCD system in order to collect significant data of bluefin tuna in conservation of the species;

RECOGNIZING the necessity to harmonize the eBCD system with relevant data reporting requirements of other recommendations.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF ATLANTIC TUNAS (ICCAT) RECOMMENDS THAT:

The following paragraph is inserted after j) of paragraph 5 of Recommendation 15-10:

k) Following the full implementation of the eBCD system, the annual reporting requirement in paragraph 1 of Recommendation 06-13 shall be replaced by reports generated from the eBCD system. However, the requirement shall continue to be applied to other species than Bluefin tuna until the Commission recommends otherwise.