

# Implementation of the eBCD System



Findings eBCD TWG Meeting September 2019



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## 1. Issues discussed at September 2019 WG meeting.

At September 2019 meeting, the Group decided to address in first place all the issues which cost estimation has been requested. Then, issues pending a decision from IMM or the Group were discussed. Finally, CPCs and Tragsa had also the chance to explain to the Group the new issues detected since last meeting.

Here below can be found three summary tables. The first one includes the status of all those issues whose cost estimation has been requested; the second one contains those to be developed under maintenance allotment. At last, it is included a table with pending decision/action issues.

For a more in depth explanation of what was discussed in the meeting, go to sections 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3

ISSUES WHERE A COST ESTIMATION WAS CONSIDERED NECESSARY BY THE GROUP	ISSUE	STATUS (OPEN/ CLOSED)
<b>ISSUES REQUESTED</b>	REFERENCE 2018-1: REQUEST OF CHANGE OF LOCATION OF REGISTRIES MAINTAINED BY ICCAT SECRETARIAT	Requested 11th September 2019
	REFERENCE 2019-1: CREATE A NEW TYPE OF SECTION THAT ALLOWS RECORDING MOVEMENTS BETWEEN CAGES (Para 9 and 100 of Rec 18-02)	<b>Under development</b>
	REFERENCE 2019-2 (16): DATA EXTRACTION TOOL. Include information of all sections of BCDs in which a country is involved.	Requested 11th September 2019
	REFERENCE 2019-3: INCLUDE DATE OF LANDING IN CATCH SECTION. Review of alert related with Para 13 d) of Rec.11-20.	Requested 11th September 2019
	REFERENCE 2019-4A: PRINT FUNCTIONS: NOTES FIELDS	<b>Under development</b>
	REFERENCE 2019-6: ALLOW CPC/FLAG ADMINISTRATOR TO MODIFY THE DATE OF A SECTION	<b>Under development</b>
<b>ISSUES COST ESTIMATED BUT NOT REQUESTED</b>	REFERENCE 2019-4B: PRINT FUNCTIONS: OTHER PRESENTATIONS	Requirements sent on 31st May 2019
	REFERENCE 2019-5: UPLOAD OF EXCEL FILE FUNCTIONALITY	Requirements sent on 13th September 2019
	REFERENCE 2019-8 (35): TRADES COMPANIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES ADAPT THE SYSTEM TO ALLOW ACCESS TO NCP	Requirements sent on 31st May 2019
	Parallel transfers from live trade. Adapt parallel transfers functionality to take into consideration parallel live trades	Requirements sent on 18th October 2018
<b>ISSUES PENDING COST-ESTIMATION DUE TO THE LACK OF REQUIREMENTS</b>	REFERENCE 2019-7: DEVELOP A READ-ONLY PROFILE FOR ICCAT INSPECTORS UNDER JJS	Pending Requirements

**Table 1 - List of issues on which cost estimation was considered necessary by the group**

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS (OPEN/CLOSED)
<b>ROP and control authorities access to system (Para 85 and 93 Rec 18-02)</b>	Add a drop-down menu and a free-text field to CG and HA to let observers include the PNC	<b>Under development</b>
<b>Request of a functionality that allows collapsing blocks of sections at the BCD tree.</b>	Modify the BCD tree in order to allow the collapse of information in blocks of sections	To be developed under Maintenance

**Table 2 - Issues to be developed under maintenance allotment**

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
<b>Include the 'plausible' transformations of declared products between different sections</b>	Include the 'plausible' transformations of declared products between different sections	Pending receiving plausible transformations
<b>When a traceability alert is generated due to an inconsistency in a split BCD, the alert is shown in all the branches (splits) of that catch</b>	Show traceability alert in all branches added from the section that triggers the inconsistency	Cost estimation not requested

**Table 3 Other open issues some of them pending request of time cost analysis**

## 1.1. Issues requested for cost estimation.

### 1.1.1. ISSUES REQUESTED SINCE MARCH 2019

#### REFERENCE 2018-1: REQUEST OF CHANGE OF LOCATION OF REGISTRIES MAINTAINED BY ICCAT SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat explains that they prefer to maintain the registry of some entities in his own system, so request time cost estimation for developing a new synchronization in which the eBCD will read the ICCAT Data Base for ports, traps and farms. Tragsa needs further clarifications in order to elaborate the time cost analysis. Time cost analysis needs to be officially requested by ICCAT Secretariat.

**TRAGSA March 2019:** This activity was cost-estimated on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and **has not been officially requested yet.** The Secretariat explains why these functionalities should be developed. USA also asks Tragsa why budget of adapting the three registries is the same and why it is included in each development the budget for Consultant and Project Manager. Tragsa explains that though the three registries are different, the time to be spent to perform them is similar. Tragsa also explains that the team is not able to address the development of these three issues in parallel, so they must be developed consecutively.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This functionality was **requested on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019.** Tragsa neither the Secretariat present doubts regarding this development. **Pending development**

#### REFERENCE 2019-1: CREATE A NEW TYPE OF SECTION THAT ALLOWS RECORDING MOVEMENTS BETWEEN CAGES (Para 9 and 100 of Rec 18-02)

Rec 18-02 considers as a transfer any movement of live Bluefin tuna between cages from the same farm. The Rec. also considers that full traceability of carry-over should be ensured. For that reason, it was decided to **develop a new functionality that will allow the recording of all movements between cages of the same farm** comprising: intra-farm transfers; carry over and control transfers. Regarding random controls, it was decided by the group that only will be recorded those on which BFT will not be transferred back to the cage of origin.

The new functionality must take into account these requirements:

- a) The same section will allow the recording of intra-farm transfers, control transfers and carry over.
- b) Depending on the option selected, the user responsible for filling out the section will be different.
  - a. Intra-farm transfers: filled out by Farm representative and will require validation but not the signature of an observer
  - b. Control transfers: filled out by CPC/Farm administrator. Will not require validation nor the signature of an observer
  - c. Carry over: filled out by CPC/Farm administrator. Will not require validation nor the signature of an observer.

- c) The fields displayed in the section will be:
- a. Date of the operation: Always mandatory.
  - b. Authorization number: Mandatory at least in intra-farm transfers
  - c. Name and ICCAT number of the farm: Filled out by the system.
  - d. Cage of destination n<sup>o</sup>: Always mandatory.
  - e. Kilos and n<sup>o</sup> fish available calculated by the system: Not editable. Difference between BFT caged and BFT harvested or live traded till that moment
  - f. Kilos and n<sup>o</sup> fishes filled out by farmer: Optional field
  - g. Kilos and n<sup>o</sup> of fish after SC Camera: As several members of the WG highlighted that a new algorithm needs to be calculated to cover the particular biometry of farmed BFT, this field is not considered mandatory.
  - h. If there is a difference in number of fish between figures entered by the farmer or in SC Camera and those calculated by the system:
    - i. If farmer's or SC camera figures exceed system's figures, a new field will be displayed to indicate n<sup>o</sup> of fish to be released: The difference between farmer's or SC cameras number of fish and fish released will be the figures to be taken into consideration for tracking traceability.
    - ii. If farmer's or SC camera figures are less than system's figures, a new field will be displayed to indicate n<sup>o</sup> of fish lost. In this case, farmer's figures will be taken into consideration for tracking traceability.
    - iii. Kilos will not be taken into consideration for tracking traceability.
    - iv. Previous sections of eBCD will not be modified to adapt figures.
  - i. This new type of section must appear at the eBCD printed version
  - j. The annual carry over report could be downloaded from the eBCD system.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This functionality was requested on 23<sup>rd</sup> July and it is currently **under development**. TWG provides an answer to all the doubts presented by Tragsa.

- a. Is it possible that only part of the tuna available in the original cage is transferred to another cage? Even, would it be possible that the available tuna could be moved to more than one cage? **Yes, system must take into account that only part of BFT available is transferred to a cage.**
- b. If in one movement between cages the BFT recorded in number of fish exceeds those available in previous section and figures are not balanced filling out the BFT released, should the system let record the section and display an inconsistency, or the system should stop the recording and inform the user that they are moving more fish than available? **The system should prevent the recording of the section and display a pop up window notifying that more BFT than available has been imputed.**

**REFERENCE 2019-2 (16): DATA EXTRACTION TOOL.** *Include information of all sections of BCDs in which a country is involved.*

At March 2017 meeting Japan requests to include in this tool the information of all sections of a BCD imported by Japan, regardless the Flag responsible of the section at that time. At January 2018, the issue is discussed again and Japan volunteers to draft the type of reports necessary to meet his obligations as importers. During the meeting different type of queries

were discussed but at the end it was decided that the Group must decide the final objective of the information to be extracted before requesting any type of cost estimation.

**TRAGSA March 2019:** Japan and USA held a meeting with Tragsa and the Secretariat in April 2018. Some type of reports were explained to Tragsa and at the end of the meeting it was decided that Tragsa will propose different type of reports to meet the necessities exposed by both CPCs. At March 2019 it was accepted by the group the cost-estimation of the following queries:

- Basic trade statistics accessible to all CPCs
- Query to answer paragraph 1 of Rec 06-13
- Adapt the queries “section’s raw data” and “traceability help reports” to show information of all sections of a BCD. Include a tab for tracking movement between cages of same farm
- Query with CA+CG+HA+TD

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This functionality was **requested on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019.**  
**Pending development**

The USA proposes that the “**Basic trade statistics accessible to all CPCs**” report should be publicly accessible, in case any citizen who wants to consult basic statistics. Tragsa confirms that this option could be feasible if the report is included at the Login page. However, neither ICCAT Secretariat nor Japan considers that the eBCD system is the best site to display this type of info. Both confirm that the best place to contain this info is ICCAT’s web site. The Secretariat also informs that imports and exports basic data are every year published on SCRS reports.

Tragsa also exposes its concern on adapting the queries “**section’s raw data**” and “**traceability help reports**” to show information of all sections of a BCD to all type of users involved. Tragsa proposes making it only available to Administrators. Tragsa considers that importers could easily check how many BFT is caught by each vessel or in case of BFT traded more than once; they could also calculate bft bought and sold by other companies. Japan considers that as this information is included in the electronic document, they already have that info and it not incurs in a confidentiality issue. It is decided to leave the development of this query as originally defined. A user could be able to download the report displaying all previous sections of trades in which they are involved.

**REFERENCE 2019-3: INCLUDE DATE OF LANDING IN CATCH SECTION. Review of alert related with Para 13 d) of Rec.11-20.**

A CPC does not agree that alerts related with Para 13 d) of Rec.11-20 are shown when validation occurs after 7 days from the Catch. They consider that landing date should be taken into account. Support team informs that a field for entering landing date is not included in the requirements of current eBCD system.

**TRAGSA January 2018:** After some discussion, US comments that following the recommendation 15-10, what the system should control was that a BCD is converted in 7 days from catch. At the end it is decided that this issue should be address at IMM.

**TRAGSA March 2019:** The Group decides that Tragsa should cost-estimate the addition of “landing date” to catch section. This would be a mandatory field for catches under 1 Tn or 3 fish. Under these circumstances, the system will check that no more than 7 days occur between the date of landing and the validation date. The Group decides that the IMM should decide if these 7 days must be considered as natural days or working days. However, cost-estimation is requested.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This activity was cost-estimated on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 considering that an inconsistency will be displayed if the 7 natural days validation period from the landing established in Rec 18-13 paragraph 13-d is not met. **Requested on 11<sup>th</sup> September and pending development**

Tragsa informs that in the requirements of this issue was included only the functionality to track the compliance of **Rec 18-13 paragraph 13-d** *“Where the bluefin tuna quantities caught and landed are less than 1 metric ton or three fish, the logbook or the sales note may be used as a temporary BCD, pending the validation of the BCD within seven days and prior to export.”* However, it was not included a solution for tracking the compliance of **Rec 18-12 paragraph 6 a)** *“Landings of quantities of bluefin tuna less than one metric ton or three fish. Such paper BCDs shall be converted to eBCDs within a period of seven working days or prior to export, whichever is first.”* As the group also wants to track this issue, Tragsa informs that this second issue will be developed in this item with no extra cost-estimation.

Regarding concept *“less than 1 metric ton or three fish”*, Tragsa explains that system considers this statement as less or equal of 1 metric ton or less or equal to three fish. The Group confirms Tragsa that this should be changed for *“less or equal than 9.999,99 metric Kilos or 2 fish”*.

*Also is stated that Rec 18-13 paragraph 13-d* only affects to BCDs that require validation.

#### **REFERENCE 2019-4A: PRINT FUNCTIONS: NOTES FIELDS**

Some CPCs request that validators should have an area to include notes in BCDs validated above all in CG and HA sections. Tragsa suggests using the “Notes” field that must be filled out by the Validator when rejecting a BCD, and displaying it also for validation.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** Validators now could add notes to each validation and rejection. When a validation contains notes from validator, besides the name of the validator, an asterisk will be shown in printed version of the BCD. This modification has been done **under Maintenance allotment** and **it is in production environment since 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019.**

<b>1. ICCAT BLUEFIN TUNA CATCH DOCUMENT (BCD)</b>				Nº:	<b>TEST ES19333331</b>	1 / 1
<b>2. CATCH INFORMATION</b>						
VESSEL / TRAP INFORMATION						
NAME OF THE CATCHING VESSEL / TRAP		Flag/CPC	ICCAT RECORD No	INDIVIDUAL QUOTA	CATCH	
TIO GEL SEGON		EU.Spain	ATEU0ESP00394		1500 Kg	
CATCH DESCRIPTION						
DATE(dd/mmm/yy)	15/May/19	AREA	Adriatic Sea	GEAR	Baitboat	
No. of FISH	23	TOTALWEIGHT(kg)	1500	AVG. WEIGHT (kg)	65.217	
ICCAT RECORD No. of Joint Fishing Operation						
TAGS Numbers (if applicable)						
GOVERNMENT VALIDATION						
NAME OF AUTHORITY	VALID 01 ESP (*)				Validated <b>TEST</b>	
TITLE					(This is an electronic BCD)	
SIGNATURE	VALID 01 ESP					
DATE(dd/mmm/yy)	22/May/19					
(*) Validator notes available in the eBCD system						

Another CPC shows their interest on the possibility of printing that notes field in the printed version of the BCD and also request Tragsa to study the feasibility of translating this free text field.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** When this functionality was cost-estimated, Tragsa proposed two options. Option 1 implied that all notes will be printed in their original language. Option 2 implied that the original text would be translated to the printed eBCD language (English, French or Spanish). The development of **Option 2** was requested on 23<sup>rd</sup> July and it is currently **under development**

## REFERENCE 2019-6: ALLOW CPC/FLAG ADMINISTRATOR TO MODIFY THE DATE OF A SECTION

**March 2019:** Since the implementation of the eBCD system, several CPCs have suggested several times to the eBCD Support Team the need to allow CPC/Flag Administrators to modify the date of a catch, the stock and the catch type. Tragsa always answers that this is sensitive information that should not be changed as it is used to check the permissions of all entities involved in the document. Tragsa always suggests that document should be deleted and created again.

As the deletion of these BCDs is not always possible, Tragsa proposes a modification of the system to allow the modification of these “sensitive” fields. The system will turn these fields editable for CPC/Flag Administrator. When the Administrators clicks on “Save” button, the system will run again all the permissions cross-checks and only will allow the change if all the entities involved are still allowed at the new date selected.

**September 2019:** When analyzing the requirements Tragsa needed to establish the following restrictions:

- If date of catch, stock or fishery is changed, the administrator will need to search again the vessel in order to let the system check if the vessel has in force permissions for the new parameters selected.
- Catch section needs to be saved to allow the modifications.

- If the date of another type of section is changed, the system will check the data integrity of the section before saving changes.

This development was requested on 23<sup>rd</sup> July and it is currently **under development**

### 1.1.2. ISSUES COST ESTIMATED BUT NOT REQUESTED

#### REFERENCE 2019-4B: PRINT FUNCTIONS: OTHER PRESENTATIONS

Japan requests to show in the printed version of the eBCD the totals of the subtypes included in “Other” reflected in the electronic version of the BCD. Tragsa reminds that this will imply a modification of the eBCD format included in Rec 11-20. Nevertheless, the TWG decides that when “Other” products are recorded in a trade section, the system will add a new line in the printed version, where will be included the “Other” subtype presentation selected with the kilos reflected in the electronic version. Tragsa asks if this is also necessary for transshipment section, but the TWG confirms that this action is only necessary for Trade section.

**TRAGSA March 2019:** Japan considers that this issue should be developed. *Time cost analysis needs to be officially requested by ICCAT Secretariat.*

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This activity was cost-estimated on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 and the development *has not been officially requested yet*

#### REFERENCE 2019-5: UPLOAD OF EXCEL FILE FUNCTIONALITY

**March 2019:** Since the catch section has been modified several times, the web service developed at the beginning of the project is currently out of date. USA and Tragsa held an informal meeting during the March 2019 meeting in order to explore the different possibilities that could be developed to avoid having to record in the system BCD by BCD. USA clarifies that the functionalities would be only used for creating those catches that were to be sold domestically.

The outcomes from the meeting were exposed to the WG and the cost-estimation of the following developments was accepted by the group.

- ✓ As a short-term solution, it is proposed the development of a new functionality that allows the upload of a file containing catch and first trade. The system will convert that information into BCDs adding the correspondent catch and trade sections. The system will be in charge of assigning the BCD code to each section. After the upload, the system will send back a log report with the errors found and lines accepted with the BCD code assigned by the system. *Time cost analysis needs to be officially requested by ICCAT Secretariat.*
- ✓ As a long-term solution it is proposed the development of a new web-service adapted to the current requirements of catch section. Also this web-service will allow the creation of the first trade. *Time cost analysis needs to be officially requested by ICCAT Secretariat.*

**TRAGSA September 2019:** Finally USA decides that only the upload file functionality needs to be cost estimated. Tragsa forwarded several questions to the TWG in order to find out the scope of this functionality but as only USA expressed their interest on it the cost estimation considers only the possibility of creating western Bluefin tuna catches with their first domestic trade. Estimation is sent on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and the development *has not been officially requested yet*

**REFERENCE 2019-8 (35): TRADES COMPANIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES ADAPT THE SYSTEM TO ALLOW ACCESS TO NCP**

Issue is discussed at March 2017 WG Meeting and it is decided that in order to meet Rec 15-10, access to non CPC member should be facilitated. Tragsa explains that opening the current roles to non CPCs could be addressed under maintenance allotment. In case new roles must to be created, resorting to flexible allotment will be necessary. In the meeting it is agreed that:

- Importer/Exporter and validator roles will be opened to Non CPCs. Modifications **under maintenance allotment**. Tragsa propose not to start this modification until it is decided to re-adapt the system to allow the access to non CPCs (development of new roles and profiles, see comments below)
- Representative of BFT ICCAT vessel; Representative of non BFT ICCAT vessel, Representative of a trap and Representative of a farm are types of roles that are not going to be available for NCPs.
- Create two new roles under flexible allotment.
  - o “Representative of NCP carrier vessel”: This type of user will only have “read-only” permissions over BCDs in which he is involved.
  - o NCP Administrator: This type of role will have different permissions than CPC/Flag administrators. The requirements were decided during the meeting and are listed below.

*Time cost analysis needs to be officially requested by ICCAT Secretariat.*

<b>Possible requirements for the role Person Responsible of non CPC Administration</b>
<i>Access to record transshipment data of the tuna transshipped by his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record export/selling data of dead fish from his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record of the signature and date of signature in the purchase/import of dead fish of the purchases of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to modification of the buyer/importer Company of the dead fish products) of the purchases of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record re-exportation data from his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record re-exporter declaration of the re-exports from his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record importer declaration of the purchases (re-exports) of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record and edit companies) of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to check companies of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to check vessels of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to check authorized ports of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to massive renewal of companies authorizations of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to check entities from his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to check agencies from his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to record and edit users data associated with the entities of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to check users associated with the entities of his NCPC</i>
<i>Access to users requests and/or roles upon entities of his NCPC</i>

Access to modify users data
Access to change users password
Access to check Query Total Kg Imported by his NCPC
Access to check Query Total Kg Exported by his NCPC
Access to check Query Total Kg Re-exported by his NCPC
Access to Help section
Access to Audit Changes

**TRAGSA March 2019:** This activity was cost-estimated on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and has not been officially requested yet. The budget presented by Tragsa was considered too expensive, so Tragsa proposes to re-calculate the budget including less functionality so the group can decide which option should be developed.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This activity was cost-estimated on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 and the development has not been officially requested yet

Tragsa explains the impact of deciding the development or not of the items cost estimated:

- Not having **NCP Administrators**. In that case the ICCAT Secretariat profile should be responsible of accepting new users/roles and new companies.
- Not having **Representatives of NCP Carrier vessels**. This seems to be the activity less important as a representative of carrier vessel is not necessary for recording transfers or transshipments.
- Adapting the **Registers** record will allow creating NCPC validation entities and Agencies.
- Adapting the **Users Registration** functionality will allow the search and creation and edition of NCPC users.
- Adapting the **Self-Registration** functionality will allow the self-registration of importers and exporters from NCPCs
- Adapting the **BCD Registry** allows the addition of trades from NCPCs to existing BCDs
- Adapting the **BFTRC Registry** allows the creation of BFTRCs from NCPC exporting companies.
- Adapting **Reports** functionality allows NCPCs to download info concerning the BCDs on which they are involved.

**Parallel transfers from live trade. Adapt parallel transfers functionality to take into consideration parallel live trades**

Issue was addressed to the WG on June 2016, after son CPCs communicated to Tragsa that one catch could be sold in two different moments to the same farm. That possibility was not considered in the algorithms that checks traceability when using this option. Time cost analysis was decided at January 2018 meeting.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This issue was not included in the list of activities to be cost estimated sent April 10<sup>th</sup> 2019, but **Tragsa considers it one of the most important developments as several incidences are received each year regarding this issue. This issue concerns all catches on which live tuna is split in more than one section (more**

than one live trade, more than one caging or live trade and caging). The activity was originally cost-estimated on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and the development has not been officially requested yet.

### **1.1.3. ISSUES PENDING COST-ESTIMATION DUE TO THE LACK OF REQUIREMENTS**

#### **REFERENCE 2019-7: DEVELOP A READ-ONLY PROFILE FOR ICCAT INSPECTORS UNDER JIS**

These users will have permissions to access any eBCD under inspection.

**TRAGSA March 2019:** At TWG meeting it is discussed how access of international inspectors to BCDs could be managed in the system. Tragsa informs that a list of inspectors will be necessary and someone should establish periods of authorizations to let them access all BCDs generated on that period of time. Another option could be giving permissions over certain vessels on a certain period of time, so they could check all BCDs recorded for that vessel at that time. Constrains on this option will be that someone should maintain the observers list and give permissions to the international inspectors. Finally it was decided that this should be addressed to IMM

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This functionality has not been cost estimated yet as some doubts have not been solved. The list of doubts sent by Tragsa and answer provided are:

- 1. Who would create and maintain these users in the system:** ANSWER: The Secretariat would provide a list, or enter them similar to the ROPs
- 2. Should all these users have access to all BCDs in the system or only to those from vessels inspected?** ANSWER: All relevant ones (i.e catches and live trades for that year and hence 'enroute' (e.g. not harvests) – is this possible?
- 3. Would these users have an “activity period”, so they would only have access to the documents during that period** ANSWER: perhaps the period they are designated as inspectors

Tragsa gives some option to limit the access of these inspectors only to BCDs inspected or vessels inspected. At the end the group decides that the following three options will be considered:

1. The operator will give temporary access to the inspectors by sharing with him his account.
2. The inspector will not have access to the system. Nevertheless, the operator provides a copy of the document to the inspector.
3. The inspector will have access to the system and will search inspected BCDs using a functionality that will let him search BCDs from a vessel searched.

Tragsa will not be able to advance with the cost-estimation until the Group communicates the development team how the system should work

## 1.2. Issues to be addressed under Maintenance allotment

### **ROP and control authorities access to system (Para 85 and 93 Rec 18-02)**

Paragraph 93 reads that if the observer is not in agreement with the information of caging, he/she should indicate his/her presence on transfer declaration and eBCDs and the reason of disagreement quoting specifically the rule(s) or procedure(s) that has not being respected.

It is decided that a drop-down menu will be displayed in Caging and Harvesting. The observer will be able to select the PNC. Also a free-text field will be added in case the observer needs to reflect any other information. This development could be address **under Maintenance allotment** but the PNC list needs to be provided. Discuss list in IMM

**TRAGSA September 2019:** The PNC has been provided to Tragsa but the issue **is still under development**.

### **Request of a functionality that allows collapsing blocks of sections at the BCD tree. (JAN 2018)**

Spain requests a functionality that will allow the option of collapsing blocks of sections when a BCD tree is too big. They inform that when a BCD has too many harvestings and trades, the use of the BCD tree for moving between sections is not too easy. They suggest that having the option of collapsing all sections bellow a harvesting could be helpful. Tragsa explains that currently the system displays a button on BCD tree that allow collapsing the younger sections (daughter sections) of a BCD branch. Tragsa informs that they can study including a new button that will allow collapsing “sister” sections of different branches.

**TRAGSA March 2019:** Issue not discussed and *Cost estimation of this issue has never been requested.*

**TRAGSA September 2019:** Tragsa is going to study the way of making the eBCD tree more user-friendly when a BCD has several harvestings and trades.

## 1.3. Other pending issues

### **32. Issues specific to the W-BFT fishery/WG members**

The WG requested in the September 2014 meeting to only ***include the 'plausible' transformations of declared products between different sections.*** This also applies to the transshipment section in the E-BFT. (i.e. 'gutted and gilled' cannot be followed by 'whole'). Any modification will be considered new developments under flexibility allotment.

Tragsa is now working on including BFTRC in these cross-checks. When re-exporting parts of a batch of BCDs, the system will consider all the plausible options included in the whole batch. This is the only valid solution as when using batches in BFTRCs, the BFT re-exported is not assigned to a specific BCD.

**USA March 2019:** USA recalls that the group needs to send to Tragsa the plausible transformations.

**TRAGSA September 2019:** This functionality was requested on June 2018 after its cost-estimation. In product presentation drop-down menu, the system will only display the plausible options compatible with the products selected in previous section. *Tragsa is waiting for receiving from the Group the list of plausible transformations, but the functionality was uploaded to the system on December 2018.*

**When a traceability alert is generated due to an inconsistency in a split BCD, the alert is shown in all the branches (splits) of that catch (05/07/2016).**

At March 2017 it is discussed the possibility of ***Showing alerts only in concerned branches.*** Tragsa informs that how to prevent an alert being displayed in all the branches of a BCD can be studied. However, detecting in which specific section the error was performed is impossible. Consequently, the alert needs at least to be displayed in all branches added from the section that triggers the traceability alert. The alert is also shown in the section that triggers the alert. I.e. *if we have a harvesting of 300 kgs, and afterwards two trade sections adding up 301 kgs are added to that harvesting, the traceability alert is displayed in the harvesting and in both trade sections. The system cannot know which trade section is wrong. Time cost analysis needs to be officially requested by ICCAT Secretariat.*

**TRAGSA March 2019:** Issue not discussed and *Cost estimation of this issue has never been requested.*

**TRAGSA September 2019:** Tragsa explains again that if a trade has an alert, the alert will be displayed in all the trades (branches) of that BCD. Importers will find the message but they will not be able to detect that the problem is in a different trade operation. The Group must decide if this development is necessary or not.