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**LETTER FROM PA3 CHAIR ON CLOSURE OF DISCUSSIONS PERIOD**  
*(Circular #8261/20)*

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Dear Colleagues,

As we finalize the second round of the essential business of Panel 3 for correspondence, I am pleased to announce that there were no objections to the Chair's proposal to extend the current ICCAT Recommendation 16-07 "*Draft Supplemental Recommendation by ICCAT to Amend the Recommendation 16-07 by ICCAT on South Atlantic Albacore Catch Limits for the Period 2017-2020*" [PA3\_701/20].

In essence, this means that all the Conservation and Management Measures that are active in 2020 will be applied in 2021 as is, if adopted by the Commission.

In light of the above, the work of PA3 is now considered closed. A written report for PA3 to be adopted during the round #3 of correspondence by the "Plenary" will be circulated shortly.

I thank you all for your efforts and contributions.

Please stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Saasa Pheeha  
*Chair of Panel 3*