

TABLE OF INFORMATION FOR PANEL 1

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Through ICCAT Circular 7677/21, Panel 1 members were requested to provide final updates to the previous version of the table by 15 October 2021. The submissions made within the deadline are shown with red font/yellow shading. As noted in the aforementioned circular, no further ^erevisions to this table will be made by the Secretariat, as the document has no status other than for information of the Panel.

Recent average catch levels have been calculated on the basis of the latest Task 1 data for the years indicated in Rec. 19-02: *Recent average catch for the purposes of paragraph 4 means the annual average catch for the 4-year period 2014-2017 or the average of real catches for the 5-year period 2014-2018 if in that period the catch was equal to zero in any of those years.*

At the request of one CPC, columns to show highest and lowest catches have been added.

Developed Coastal CPCs
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Distant Water Fishing CPCs

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Panel 1 members	Plan / Statement sent*	Current level* (at 61,500 TAC)	Catch limits/ thresholds/triggers from 16-01x	Recent average catch	Level aspired, if indicated	Category according to para 4 of 19-02	Total No. of vessels 2021**	No. of purse seiners in 2021**	No. of longliners in 2021	Observations
Angola	No		3500	3		D				
Belize	Yes	1598	3500	1781.6	2100	C	19	6	10	
Brazil	Yes	6043	3500	7281.1		B	386	3	55	Predominantly handline fishery
Canada	Yes	>1000	1575	215.4	Not less than 1575	D	175	0	78	Landings predominantly from LL
Cabo Verde	No		3500	1979.6		C				
China, People's Rep. of	Yes	5599.68	5376	4635.1	7000	B	34	0	34	

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Côte d'Ivoire	Yes		3500	559.1		D	2	0	2	
Curaçao	Yes	2558.87	3500	2843.2	3500	C	5	5		
El Salvador	Yes	1553	1575	1725.4	3500	C	4	4		
European Union	Yes	13.968	16989	17965.8	[...]	A	1999	22	+	
France (SPM)	No		1575	0		D				
Gabon	No		3500	0		D				
Ghana	Yes	3631.23	4250	4781.0	7000	B	17	17	0	
Guatemala, Rep. de	Yes	3500	3500	1013.3	1827	D	2	2	0	Guatemala has never exceeded the allocated quotas and has complied with the management measures of the Commission.
Guinea Equatorial	No		3500	10.5		D				
Guinea, Rep. of	No		3500	1111.4		C				
Guinée-Bissau	No									Currently under prohibition due to no Task 1 data
Honduras	No		3500	0		D				
Japan	Yes	14849.44 (13,979.84 (initial quota))	17696	11837.9		A	181	0	181	

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Korea, Rep. of	Yes	(1000) 925.6	1486	677.4	Not mentioned	D	9	0	9	No hard limit under Rec. 19-02 Voluntary limit set at 1,000 Adjusted limit 925.6 for 2021
Liberia	No		3500	42		D				No catches since 2004
Libya	No		3500	0		D				No catches since 2004
Maroc	Yes		3500	342.1	5130	D	50	7	29	
Mauritania	no		3500	1		D				No catches in recent years
Mexico	no		3500	2.2		D				
Namibia	no		3500	301.1		D				
Nicaragua, Rep. de	Yes		3500	0	3500 (4 vessels)	D				Fisheries not yet developed
Nigeria	No		3500	0		D				Fisheries not yet developed
Panama	Yes		3500	1907.8	3500	C				
Philippines, Rep. of	No		286	1964	500 (1 LL)	C	0	0	0	Currently has no fisheries in ICCAT Convention area but intends to operate one longliner in the future

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Russia	Yes	1575	1575			D	0	0		
Saint Vincent and Grenadines	Yes	1550	3500			D	4	0		
São Tomé e Príncipe			3500	389.2		D				
Senegal	Yes	1322	3500	1469.7	3500	C	14	7	1	
Sierra Leone	No		3500			D				No catches since 2002
South Africa			3500	225.7		D				
Trinidad & Tobago	Yes		3500	49.5		D	37	0	37	
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Yes	1575	1575	52.7	Under the extant provisions the UK has been able to benefit from the 1575 t threshold provided to certain parties. Whilst we have not indicated an aspirational level previously, 1,575 t would be our starting point. We	D	212	0	1	Many fishers in various OTs are reliant on fisheries and we cannot take overall development levels of the CPC/OT alone to be an indicator of the extent to which some inhabitants are reliant on fisheries. It should also be noted that St Helena is ODA eligible and that should be kept in mind

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					are ready to engage in discussions					
United States	Yes	1575	1575	844.6	1575 small harvester limit	D	27122	0	<u>141</u>	U.S. fleet includes PLL, handline, and R&R
Uruguay			3500	0		D				Has not operated any tuna fleet in recent years
Venezuela			3500	193.7		D				
Cooperators										
Bolivia	No					D				
Chinese Taipei	Yes	10617.31	11679	13617.3	13800	A	84*++	0	84*++	
Costa Rica	No					D				
Guyana	No			29		D				
Suriname	No									Suriname did not submit a fishing plan as they do not yet operate a tuna fleet. As there are no vessels operating, there are currently no

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										catches to report.
Other CPCs with recent catches (not members of PA1)										
Barbados				22.7		D				
Grenada				25						

* As reported by CPCs in their fishing plans.

** Taken from fishing plans and statements of intent submitted. For vessels on ICCAT Record, see **Appendix 1**.

*** For more information on fleet composition, see **Appendix 1** (and Table 14 of PA1-08).

+ Bycatch, not targeting vessels.

++ Includes 30 vessels targeting albacore allowed to take BET as bycatch.

x Figures shaded in blue are not quotas but levels to which CPCs should aspire not to exceed, and in some cases of coastal developing State, indicate a trigger for action.

Number of Vessel registered		FlagVesCode																							Grand Total						
IsscfgCode	IsscfvCode	BLZ	BRA	CAN	CHN	CIV	CPV	CUW	EU-ESP	EU-FRA	EU-PRT	FR-SPM	GHA	GTM	JPN	KOR	LBR	MAR	MEX	NAM	PAN	SEN	SLV	TAI	TTO	UK-SHN	USA	VCT	ZAF	Grand Total	
GNS	GO								4																					4	
LHM	LP																					1								1	
LHP	LH		6						3											3										12	
	LL								131		2	1			1					2										137	
	LP		3						77		1		16							4		6				1		1		109	
	TO									1																				1	
LL	LL	10	15	3	47	27			13	1	43				175	11		17	2	8	25	2		54	11		31	4	4	503	
LLD	LL								4																					4	
LTL	LL								2																					2	
	LT								21																					21	
	MO								1																					1	
LX	GO								1																					1	
	LH								3	2																				5	
	LL																					1								1	
	LP										28		2															63		93	
	MO								1																					1	
	UN								32																					32	
MIS	LP																											40		40	
NAP	AU								2														1							3	
	FO	1																												1	
	SV	1						3																						4	
	SVB								3																					3	
	TW								3																					3	
NK	MO								7																					7	
PS	SP		8	1			1	5	18	11			17	2			2	7			6	7	3							88	
RG	RO																										1			1	
TB	TO								1	21																				22	
TM	TO									2																				2	
UN	UN								1																					1	
Grand Total			20	25	3	47	27	1	8	328	38	74	1	35	2	176	11	2	24	2	17	31	18	3	54	11	1	95	4	45	1103

Appendix 2

Recent average catches

The below are based on Task 1 data reported by CPCs and confirmed by the SCRS. Note that any requests for changes to these figures should be accompanied by revised Task 1 data, **through form ST01**, for consideration and confirmation, if applicable by the SCRS.

FlagName	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total	Average	Highest	Lowest
Barbados	26	30	19	16		91	22.7	30	16
Belize	1524	1877	1764	1961		7126	1781.6	1951	1534
Brazil	6456	7750	7660	7258		29124	7281.1	7759	6456
Canada	218	258	171	214		861	215.4	258	171
Cape Verde	2368	2764	1680	1107		7919	1979.6	2764	1107
China PR	2232	4942	5852	5514		18540	4635.1	5852	2232
Chinese Taipei	13272	16453	13115	11845		54685	13671.3	16453	11845
Côte d'Ivoire	441	12	544	1239		2236	559.1	1239	12
Curaçao	2357	2573	3598	2844		11373	2843.2	3598	2357
El Salvador		992	1450	1826	2634	6902	1725.4	1826	992
EU-Portugal	3869	3135	2187	3146		12338	3084.4	3869	2187
EU	18638	16030	18428	18767		71863	17965.8	18767	16030
FR (SPM)	0				0	0	0.1	0	0
Ghana	4175	5918	5194	3838		19124	4781.0	5918	3838
Guatemala	1007	340	1103	1602		4053	1013.3	1602	340
Guinea Ecuatorial	10	17	4	11		42	10.5	17	4
Guinée Rep	1111				0	1111	1111.4	1111	0
Japan	13603	12390	10365	10994		47351	11837.9	13603	10365
Korea Rep	1039	677	562	432		2709	677.4	1039	432
Maroc	300	309	350	410		1369	342.1	410	300
Mexico	1	2	2	3		9	2.2	3	1
Mixed flags (EU tropical)	0	989	1187	972	1049	4197	1049.2	1187	972
Namibia	240	465	359	141		1204	301.1	465	141
Panama	2341	1289	2337	1664		7631	1907.8	2337	1289
Philippines	1964	0	0	0	0	1964	1964.0	1964	0
S Tomé e Príncipe	110	633	421	393		1557	389.2	633	110
Senegal	369	1031	1500	2978		5879	1469.7	2978	369
South Africa	332	193	121	257		903	225.7	332	121
St Vincent and Grenadines	30	496	622	889		2037	509.4	889	30
Trinidad and Tobago	59	77	37	25		198	49.5	77	25
UK	19	44	77	71		211	52.7	77	19
USA	892	1082	568	836		3379	844.6	1082	568
Venezuela	169	132	156	318		775	193.7	318	132

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<i>FlagName (non PA1 members)</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Highest</i>	<i>Lowest</i>
Angola				3	0	2.9	3	3	0
Guyana		6	25	34	53	117.1	39	53	0
Grenada		18	23	33	27	101.2	34	27	0
Liberia			27	98	1	126.1	63	98	0
Mauritania			1			0.8	1	1	0

Comments received from CPC on the Table of Information for Panel 1**Comments from Belize**

(ICCAT Circular 7079, circulated at request of Belize)

Belize wishes to notify the Secretariat and Panel 1 that the aspiration levels for our country for BET which we would like reflected in the tables is 2100 m/t which is consistent with our recent historical catches. Belize recalls that this was initially the catch limit set for developing counties in the 2014 recommendation for tropical tunas. The stocks were stable when catches were maintained at this limit and only began to experience increased fishing when the limit was raised to 3500 m/t.

It is clear, based on the comparisons on the table that Belize has the lowest BET allocation by purse seiner which has been surpassed by other regional players despite our historical presence and catches, number of vessels and compliance history and the fact that we are a coastal developing country. As a result, it is Belize's position that the level (2100 mt) to which we aspire is a fair and equitable limit for Belize to continue to develop its fisheries while maintaining stock status.

Comments from Canada

The information for Canada in **Appendix 1** is correct: we only have 3 longline vessels that meet the criteria for inclusion in the Register of Vessels. The reason for the difference is that Canada has 75 additional vessels permitted to retain bigeye but which are smaller than 20 m, and thus are not included in the register.

In reviewing Appendix 2, which uses Task 1 data to calculate recent average catches as defined in Rec. 19-02, paragraph 4, we noticed some inconsistencies in how average catches were calculated in cases where there were zero years. There are several CPCs under the four-year average formula that have zero catch years and should probably therefore be under the five-year formula: El Salvador, Fr-SPM, Guinée rep, Mixed flags (EU tropical), and Philippines. [Note from Secretariat: corrected in yellow on revised **Appendix 2**.]

As a suggestion, to frame the average catches in a context that reflects the variability of catches for each CPC, you could add a minimum and maximum column after the averages in Appendix 2. [Note from Secretariat: Included in **Appendix 2**.]

Comment from El Salvador

Following the format and guidance provided by the Secretariat, we wish to express that the catch level to which our country aspires, indicated in the corresponding column, should be 3,500 t, in accordance with my country's right to have access to the fishery in non-discriminatory conditions within the Convention area.

Comments from Guatemala

Guatemala wishes to inform the Secretariat and Panel 1 that we have reiterated our status as a coastal state ever since we have been part of this honourable Commission, indicating that the Republic of Guatemala aspires to a bigeye tuna catch limit of 3,500 t.

It is important to acknowledge and highlight that Guatemala is a developing state and the use of fishery resources as a coastal state contributes to and strengthens growing economies as regards sources of employment, provision of products and services, as the strengthening of Guatemalan economies involved in all the processes of developing the tuna fishery in the Atlantic, establishing that a limit of 3,500 t would greatly strengthen this country's development.

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In this regard, we acknowledge the management measures and the fact that during the latest meetings we agreed to a limit of 1,827 t in the short term, and we would like the table of the working document to reflect that this is currently under discussion. Guatemala has never exceeded the assigned values and we have fulfilled all the Commission's management measures.

Guatemala wants the limit to be no less than 1,827 t of bigeye tuna, so that it may continue to develop this fishery.

Comment from Japan

We believe initial quotas would be more suitable to compare to TAC of 61,500. [Note from Secretariat – this has not been changed on the current version but figures may be included if provided by CPCs within the deadline.]

Comment from Morocco

In accordance with para 5 of Rec. 19-02, Morocco considers that the right and aspirations of coastal States to develop their fisheries must be respected and taken into consideration within the framework of development of the TAC allocation criteria, along with other criteria, in particular, the economic and social aspects, as raised by several CPCs during the second meeting of PA1 (1-3 September 2021) , in order to ensure a fair and equitable distribution among all the members of this Panel.

Morocco would also like to highlight that the "historical catch" criterion which constitutes the basis for development of the attached document, cannot be considered the basis for discussions for revision of the bigeye tuna TAC allocation key, given that developing coastal CPCs will be heavily penalized, as raised and discussed at length during that meeting.

Comments from Russia

In the column Total number of vessels 2021, the number of purse seiners in 2021 in the line RUSSIA, please put 0 and 0. Russia in 2021, as in 2020, did not conduct a specialized fishery for tropical tuna. So far, no new application for tropical tuna fishing in 2021 and 2022 was placed at our disposal. [Note from Secretariat: As the original figures had been taken from the 2020 (not 2021) plan, the changes were accepted. As no original plan for 2021 was submitted, no revision was required.]

Comment from the Philippines

We do not have any current fishing effort in the ICCAT Convention area. However, we aspire to have at least one longline fishing vessel operating within the next two years. For it to be economically feasible, the Philippines will be seeking a catch limit of about 500 t. Hence, his submission. The Philippines had dutifully paid its membership contribution, even though we did not have any active fishing vessels in the ICCAT Convention area.

US Statement in response to Circular 6764/21

The United States would like to submit this statement regarding its bigeye tuna aspirational limit to provide some context to the updated information we are submitting in response to Circular 6764 and PA1-09B/July 2021.

The U.S. view remains unchanged: it is important to maintain the small harvester threshold of 1575 t in any future bigeye tuna allocation discussions. This threshold, which was included in Recommendation 16-01 and its predecessors, should continue to apply to CPCs with small, stable, historical bigeye fisheries that do not harvest juveniles.

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Panel 1 has not yet had a comprehensive discussion about which CPCs should be included in the allocation key. In the view of the United States, any CPCs that are major harvesters, with recent catches above a certain threshold, or that have significant catches of juvenile bigeye tuna, should be included on the allocation key. CPCs that do not meet those two criteria should be excluded from the table, but still subject to appropriate constraints and capacity controls. If the Panel decides that all CPCs with bigeye catches should be included in the quota table, including the United States, we would have to determine our “aspirational” catch level, noting that neither the 1575 t threshold, nor the 2100 t threshold in place prior to 2015, were ever binding limits.

Comment from Chinese Taipei

The recent average catch for Chinese Taipei is 13671.3 tons, as indicated in the Appendix 2, and we have therefore added such figure into the cell accordingly. In addition, our number of longliners in 2021 is the same as the total number of vessels 2021, that is 84, with the same footnote that was kindly inserted by the Secretariat. Hence, revision is also made to the corresponding cell. The column of “level aspired” is filled in as well.

Comment from Suriname

Suriname did not send a fishing plan because we do not have our own operating tuna fleet yet. Therefore, there are no catches to report. This is also stated in our submitted Annual report.