

Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission

RESOLUTION ON A REGIONAL VESSEL REGISTER

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The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC):

Affirming the importance of ensuring that all vessels fishing in the Convention Area comply with the conservation and management measures agreed by its member governments;

Inspired by the principles of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and the Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas;

Aware of the need to have pertinent information relative to the operations of vessels fishing in the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO);

Therefore recommends to the High Contracting Parties that:

1. They request the Director to establish and maintain a record of vessels that have been authorized to fish in the Convention Area for species under the purview of the Commission, on the basis of the information detailed in paragraph 2 below.
2. Each Party supply the Director the following information with respect to each vessel under its jurisdiction to be included in the record established pursuant to paragraph 1:
 - a. name of vessel, registration number, previous names (if known), and port of registry;
 - b. a photograph of the vessel showing its registration number;
 - c. previous flag (if known and if any);
 - d. International Radio Call Sign (if any);
 - e. name and address of registered owner or owners;
 - f. where and when built;
 - g. length, beam, and moulded depth;
 - h. fish hold capacity in cubic meters, and carrying capacity in metric tons;
 - i. name and address of operator (manager) or operators (if any);
 - j. type of fishing method or methods;
 - k. gross tonnage;
 - l. power of main engine or engines.
3. Each Party promptly notify the staff of any modifications to the information listed in paragraph 2.
4. Each Party also promptly notify the staff of any additions to or deletions from the record of vessels authorized to fish.
5. Each Party promptly notify the staff of any fishing vessel that is no longer entitled to fly its flag.
6. They request non-member governments with vessels fishing in the EPO under their jurisdiction to provide to the Director the information detailed in paragraph 2 and to otherwise follow the terms of this Resolution.