Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission

RESOLUTION

REGARDING THE AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM

February 1998

The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC):

Recalling the resolution adopted during the Special Meeting of the IATTC held in La Jolla, California, on April 21-23, 1992;

Recalling also the Declaration of Panama, adopted on October 5, 1995:

- 1. *Welcomes* the adoption by the 35th Intergovernmental Meeting of the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program, attached as Appendix to this Resolution;
- 2. *Invites* States that are eligible to become Parties to the Agreement to do so, and to implement the Agreement at the earliest opportunity;
- 3. *Requests* the Director to perform the functions relating to implementation of the Agreement set forth in the Agreement, and such other functions as may be necessary to prepare for the entry into force of the Agreement; and
- 4. *Calls upon* States not presently members of the IATTC which have purse-seine vessels fishing for tuna in the eastern Pacific Ocean, to become members of the IATTC.