

**RESOLUTION BY ICCAT
ON JUVENILE MEDITERRANEAN SWORDFISH**

CONSIDERING that ICCAT has not adopted any measures to protect juvenile swordfish in the Mediterranean;

NOTING that the catches of juvenile swordfish in the Mediterranean are very high, and that there is a need to examine possible protection measures for juveniles of this stock, adapted to the characteristics of the stock and to the swordfish fisheries in the Mediterranean;

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF ATLANTIC TUNA (ICCAT) RESOLVES:

To ask the SCRS to present to the Commission, before the 2001 annual meeting:

- 1 A report on possible measures to protect juvenile Mediterranean swordfish, taking into account the biological characteristics and the nature of the Mediterranean swordfish fisheries.