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Madrid, 5 August 2021

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GRENADA

SUBJECT: LETTER ON COMPLIANCE ISSUES

Hon. Minister,

On behalf of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), I am writing to inform you that during the Decision-Making Process which took place in lieu of the Commission meeting in 2020, the Commission noted that certain information had not been received, and that some reporting deficiencies remain unresolved. The reporting and implementation deficiencies are listed below and in the attached response template. However, the Commission noted the improvement of Grenada's reporting compared to previous years, and therefore decided to lift Grenada's identification by ICCAT under ICCAT's Trade Measures Recommendation (Rec. 06-13) that had been put in place in 2019.

During the 2020 decision making process, Contracting Parties, Entities and Fishing Entities (CPCs) were assessed for compliance with ICCAT conservation and management measures and reporting requirements. Based on the review of the Secretariat Report on Statistics and Coordination of Research and the 2020 Secretariat's Report to the Compliance Committee and other available information. The Committee noted the efforts which had been made by Grenada and was pleased to see some slight improvement in reporting through the submission of Statistical data. Notwithstanding, the reporting deficiencies listed below still remain for Grenada, some of which have been recurring for several years.

- No annual report was submitted.
- Statistical data submitted late and incomplete.
- Rec. 16-14: No information / data from observer programmes submitted.
- Rec. 18-05 and 18-06: No shark check sheet or Billfish Check sheet submitted.
- Rec. 16-16/18-07 (11-11): No Compliance tables were submitted.

In addition, no direct response was received to my Letter of Identification last year which was sent following the 2019 Commission meeting.

Lack of full implementation of ICCAT requirements can undermine the work of the Commission in fulfilling the Convention's objectives.

Late or incomplete reporting causes difficulties for the Secretariat in preparing documents for the Commission and its Panels and Committees and reduces the effectiveness of the Compliance Committee. The lists of reporting requirements, the relevant reporting forms, and ICCAT Recommendations and Resolutions are published annually on the ICCAT web site at:

https://www.iccat.int/en/SubmitCOMP.html
https://www.iccat.int/en/submitSTAT.html
https://www.iccat.int/en/RecRes.asp

The Commission requests Grenada to reply to this letter before **1 October 2021** and complete the attached template (preferably submitted as an MS Word document) to indicate the actions taken by Grenada to rectify the deficiencies indicated.

If you have any questions about the issues raised in this letter, including a request for a more detailed explanation of the issues, please do not hesitate to contact me and the Secretariat at info@iccat.int.

In thanking you for your attention to these important matters, let me express to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Derek Campbell
Compliance Committee Chair