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WORKING PAPER ON DRAFT SCHEDULE OF ACTIONS: SEVERITY OF TYPES OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC ICCAT PROVISIONS

ICCAT Secretariat in consultation with COC Chair

Res. 16-17 stipulates that: To facilitate CPCs' comprehensive understanding of what constitutes minor or significant non-compliance in the context of existing Recommendations, the COC will develop a reference document, including a simple summary or table that lists the level of severity of types of non-compliance with specific ICCAT provisions, understanding that mitigating and aggravating considerations will also be taken into account as specified above.

No timeframe for the development of the above-mentioned document was indicated, and to date the COC has not yet done this.

In order to facilitate the drafting of the document, the Secretariat, in consultation with the COC Chair, has drawn up a brief "severity table" for consideration by CPCs, as attached. The Compliance Committee may wish to consider additional actions, such as recommending priority for technical assistance or 'compliance missions'. While each case would need to be evaluated before final decision, the schedule below is intended to provide some guidance to the Committee and ensure coherence among cases and over time.

DRAFT SEVERITY SCHEDULE AND CORRESPONDING ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

M = minor non-compliance S = Significant non-compliance

	Type of PNC issue	Severity	Warranted Action by COC	Mitigating circumstances	Aggravating circumstances
Category	Catches/landings exceed limits required by ICCAT	Year 1 = M Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1 – ensure required payback is reflected in adopted compliance table; request rectification for future years and submission of action plan. 2. Subsequent years – Identification 3. If no rectification after 3 years, consider whether to recommend ICCAT responsive actions in accordance with para 6 of Recommendation by ICCAT Concerning Trade Measures (06-13)¹ 4. All years: consider capacity building and technical assistance options to	Degree of overharvest; demonstrated actions to prevent reoccurrence, including reduction in future years, monitoring and enforcement actions, strengthened laws and regulations	Continued failure to take corrective action; degree of overharvest; increasing level of overharvests
	Failure to adhere to fleet size or other capacity limitation required by ICCAT	Year 1 = M Subsequent years = S	recommend/facilitate 1. Year 1, request rectification and submission of action plan 2. Year 2 – In coordination with relevant Panel, consider recommending adoption by ICCAT of additional fishery restrictions 3. Year 3 – Identification	Degree of overcapacity; demonstrated implementation of capacity reduction plan	Repeated or frequent; degree of overcapacity

¹ Rec. 06-13 para 6, in the pertinent part, provides "In the case of CPCs, actions such as the reduction of existing quotas or catch limits should be implemented to the extent possible before consideration is given to the application of trade restrictive measures. Trade measures should be considered only where such actions either have proven unsuccessful or would not be effective."

Type of PNC issue	Severity	Warranted Action by COC	Mitigating circumstances	Aggravating circumstances
Failure to implement time/area closures	Year 1 = M Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1, request rectification 2. Year 2 – In coordination with relevant Panel, consider recommending adoption by ICCAT of additional fishery restrictions 3. Year 3 – Identification Year x – Trade Restrictive Measures	None	Repeated or frequent
Failure to implement minimum size restrictions	Year 1 = M Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1, request rectification 2. Year 2 – In coordination with relevant Panel, consider imposing enhanced MCS requirements 3. Year 3 – Identification Year x – Trade Restrictive Measures	None	Repeated or frequent and proportion of catch under minimum size
Failure to implement gear restrictions /limitations	Year 1 = M Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1, request rectification 2. Year 2 – In coordination with relevant Panel, consider imposing enhanced MCS requirements 3. Year 3 - Identification Year x – Trade Restrictive Measures	None	Repeated or frequent

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Category B	Failure to report statistical and other required data	S	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 = Requirement to submit a data improvement and/or reporting plan with required reporting on implementation 3. Year 3 = Identification and /or limitations on or loss of right to implement certain ICCAT recommendations, such as to charter or conduct at sea transshipment. If no improvement after X years, Trade Sanctions	Advance notification of delay or inability to submit the report may be considered by COC. Request for technical assistance has been made but could not be met	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or COC Chairs letters
	Delay in reporting statistical and other required data	If delay is short = M If recurring over several years or delay is significant e.g. information submitted during meeting = S	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 = Requirement to submit a data improvement and/or reporting plan with required reporting on implementation 3. Year 3 = Identification and /or Limitations on or Loss of right to implement certain ICCAT recommendations, such as to charter or conduct at sea transshipment. If no improvement after X years, Trade Sanctions	Major problems in communication occurred due to force majeure. Failure to correctly understand the requirement, particularly if reporting date has recently changed	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or COC Chairs letters

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	Failure to submit reports	Severity will depend on type and number of reports not submitted. Annual Report = S Other reports may be M unless recurring	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 = Requirement to submit a data improvement and/or reporting plan with required reporting on implementation 3. Year 3 = Identification and /or limitations on or loss of right to implement certain ICCAT recommendations, such as to charter or conduct at sea transshipment. If no improvement after X years, Trade Sanctions	Advance notification of delay or inability to submit the report may be considered by COC	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or COC Chairs letters
	Delay in submitting reports	If delay is short = M If recurring over several years or delay is significant e.g. information submitted during meeting = S	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 = Requirement to submit an action plan on improved reporting 3. Year 3 and subsequent. Possible ID, depending on gravity and extent of late reporting	Major problems in communication occurred due to force majeure. Failure to correctly understand the requirement, particularly if reporting date has recently changed	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or COC Chairs letters
Category	Failure to implement MCS measures	Year 1 = M, Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 and subsequent: TBD. Different MCS failures may require different responses	MCS measure requires major investment of resources or technology not available to the CPC. Request for technical assistance has been made but could not be met	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or COC Chairs letters

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Failure to exercise port CPC controls	Year 1 = M, Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 = Request submission of a plan of action to implement the provisions of the relevant Recommendation(s)	MCS measure requires major investment of resources or technology not available to the CPC. Request for technical assistance has been made but could not be met	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or CoC Chairs letters
Failure to exercise flag CPC controls	Year 1 = M, Subsequent years = S	1. Year 1 = Request rectification 2. Year 2 = Request submission of a plan of action to implement the provisions of the relevant Recommendation(s) with the intent of rectifying the failure 3. Year 3 = Consideration of imposition of additional control measures and/or identification. Year X: Trade Sanctions	None (CPCs should not operate vessels for which they cannot fulfil their obligations as Flag CPC)	Repeated or frequent, lack of corrective action, no response to requests for data or CoC Chairs letters