

Draft Recommendation by ICCAT for the establishment of catch limit for Mediterranean swordfish for Egypt

(submitted by Egypt)

RECALLING the provisions of *Resolution by ICCAT on Criteria for the Allocation of Fishing Possibilities* (Res. 15-13) regarding the criteria for the allocation of fishing possibilities;

RECALLING the provisions of *Recommendation by ICCAT replacing the Recommendation 13-04 and establishing a multi-annual recovery plan for Mediterranean swordfish* (Rec. 16-05);

NOTING paragraph 3 of Rec. 16-05 that a fair and equitable allocation scheme of the TAC of Mediterranean swordfish shall be established;

RECALLING that at the Intersessional Meeting of Panel 4 on Mediterranean Swordfish, held in Madrid in February 2017, the Egyptian delegation announced its position regarding the distribution of the allocated swordfish catch limit;

ALSO RECALLING that Egypt made a request for a fair catch limit of Mediterranean swordfish during the 23rd Special Meeting held in Portugal in 2022;

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF ATLANTIC TUNAS (ICCAT) RECOMMENDS THAT:

1. Egypt shall be allowed to catch 150 t of Mediterranean swordfish in 2024.