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**RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE SOUTH
ATLANTIC SWORDFISH MANAGEMENT MEASURES**

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

THAT Contracting Parties whose catches in the south Atlantic are greater than 250 MT shall not increase their catches during 1997 beyond their 1993 or 1994 level, whichever is the higher. Contracting Parties whose catches in the south Atlantic are less than 250 MT shall not increase their catch in 1997 beyond 250 MT.

NOTWITHSTANDING Article VIII, paragraph 2, of the Convention, the Executive Secretary shall bring to the attention of non-Contracting Parties, whose vessels fish for swordfish in the Atlantic Ocean, the measures being taken by the Contracting Parties and seek their cooperation in taking similar conservation measures consistent with the Recommendations of the Commission.

This Recommendation is supplemental to the current regulations on the size limit of Atlantic swordfish.