

**RESOLUTION BY ICCAT
ON PORBEAGLE SHARK (*LAMNA NASUS*)**

RECALLING that SCRS has concluded at its meeting in 2008 that ICES has undertaken data compilations and provided advice on the North-East Atlantic porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) stock and that similar data compilations need to be undertaken for the South-East and South-West Atlantic porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) stocks;

NOTING that a scientific assessment has been carried out on the porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) stock in the North-West Atlantic;

CONSIDERING that it would be beneficial to have a common management regime for porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) throughout its range in the Atlantic Ocean.

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

A joint ICCAT-ICES Inter-sessional meeting be undertaken in 2009 to further assess porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in conformity with the *Supplemental Recommendation by ICCAT Concerning Sharks* [Rec. 07-06]. As porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) is also taken in other fisheries not directed at tunas, participation in the proposed assessment by additional RFMO scientific experts would be most beneficial.

A joint meeting of the Chairs or representatives the RFMOs concerned in the fisheries of porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in the Atlantic should also be considered to be held immediately following the joint ICCAT-ICES meeting. This meeting will examine the possibility of adopting compatible management measures in 2009 for porbeagle (*Lamna nasus*) in light of the assessment of the joint scientific meeting.