

RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT TO AMEND THE *RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT ON A MULTI/YEAR CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR BIGEYE TUNA*

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

1. The terms of the 2004 *Recommendation by ICCAT on a Multi-Year Conservation and Management Program for Bigeye Tuna* [Rec. 04-01] shall be extended through 2010 except for:
 - The Total Allowable Catch (TAC) for 2010 is 85,000 t. If the total catch in 2010 exceeds 85,000 t, that excess amount shall be deducted from catch limits of Contracting Parties, and Cooperating non-Contracting Parties, Entities or Fishing Entities (hereafter referred to as CPC) in 2011 on a prorata basis.
 - The catch limit for Korea shall be 2,100 t.
 - For developing coastal CPCs not shown in the Table in 4 a) of the Recommendation [04-01], if the catch exceeds 3,500 t in 2010, an appropriate catch limit shall be established for that CPC for the following years.
 - Notwithstanding Recommendation [04-01] and Recommendation [06-01], Chinese Taipei may allow seven additional longline vessels to fish for bigeye tuna in the Convention area only in 2010 and 2011.
 - Notwithstanding the Recommendation [04-01], Philippines may allow two additional longline vessels to fish for bigeye tuna in the Convention area only in 2010 and 2011.
2. All underages or overages of the annual catch limit of bigeye tuna in 2010 may be added to or shall be deducted from the annual catch limit in 2011 and/or 2012.
3. The 2,000 t transfer of bigeye tuna catch limit from Japan to China in 2010 and 800 t transfer of bigeye tuna catch limit from Japan to Korea in 2010 shall be authorized.
4. The 2,500 t transfer of bigeye tuna catch limit from the European Community to Ghana in 2010 shall be authorized.
5. By 31 March 2010, Ghana shall submit to ICCAT an action plan in order to strengthen the collection of statistical data (Task I and II) and to develop control measures so as to ensure the full implementation of conservation and management measures.
6. The 2010 meeting of the Commission shall review the draft recommendations concerning the time-area closure, attached to the Report of Panel 1.