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SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT TO AMEND THE REBUILDING PROGRAM FOR NORTH ATLANTIC SWORDFISH

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

- 1. The terms of the 2006 Supplemental Recommendation by ICCAT to Amend the Rebuilding Program for North Atlantic Swordfish [Rec. 06-02] shall be extended through 2010 except for:
 - The Total Allowable Catch (TAC) in 2010 is 13,700 t.
 - If the total catch in 2010 exceeds 13,700 t, the excess amount shall be deduced from the quota/catch limit for each Contracting Party, and Cooperating non-Contracting Party, Entity or Fishing Entity (hereafter referred to as CPC) on a prorate basis in 2011.
 - The European Community shall be allowed to count up to 200 t of its swordfish catch taken from the North Atlantic management area against its uncaught South Atlantic swordfish quota.
- 2. The table in paragraph 4 of Rec. 06-02 shall be revised as follows:

	Catch Year	Adjustment Year
North Atlantic swordfish	2007	2009
	2008	2010
	2009	2011
	2010	2012

- 3. 2007-2008 in paragraph 5 of Rec. 06-02 shall be replaced with "2009-2010".
- 4. The 100 t transfer of swordfish catch limit from Senegal to Canada in 2010 shall be authorized.
- 5. In advance of the next assessment of North Atlantic swordfish, the SCRS shall develop a Limit Reference Point (LRP) for this stock. Future decisions on the management of this stock shall include a measure that would trigger a rebuilding plan, should the biomass decrease to a level approaching the defined LRP as established by the SCRS.