

RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT FOR CATCH LIMITS FOR MEDITERRANEAN SWORDFISH

RECALLING the establishment of a Total Allowable Catch (TAC) and catch reductions agreed in the *Recommendation by ICCAT replacing the Recommendation 13-04 and establishing a Multi-annual Recovery Plan for Mediterranean Swordfish* (Rec. 16-05);

NOTING the commitments taken at the Intersessional Meeting of Panel 4 in 2017 to respect the allocation included in the table under Appendix 7 of the meeting report, and maintain catches within the TAC;

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

1. In complement to Recommendation 16-05, CPCs shall respect the following catch limits for Mediterranean swordfish:

<i>CPC</i>	<i>CPC TAC allocation (%)</i>	<i>2017 Quota per CPC (t)</i>	<i>Catch limits (t)</i>
Algeria	5.238	550.000	472.330
EU	70.756	7,410.480	6,363.630
Morocco	9.952	1,045.000	896.470
Tunisia	9.597	1,007.694	865.330
Türkiye	4.200	441.000	378.700
Others	0.436	45.826	39.350
TAC		10,500.000	9,015.810*

* In addition, Egypt and Libya shall have catch limits of 125 t each. This shall not prejudice the allocation key as reflected in this table.

2. The SCRS should assess the impact of the reductions made on the recovery of the stock, as early as possible.