

INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY SOME CPCs IN SECTION 5 OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

Section 5 of Part II of the annual report invites CPCs to inform the Commission of the main difficulties encountered in their implementation of and compliance with ICCAT conservation and management measures.

The Secretariat has summarized their main issues. The complete sections 5 are reported in document COC-301/2020 and its addenda. The summary might assist the Compliance Committee (COC) in considering if a technical assistance in Compliance matters might be useful to some CPCs.

The year 2020 have been marked by the appearance and expansion of the COVID pandemic has led to the closure of borders, the restriction of movement, and the reduction of activities and consequently resulted in complications in the implementation of international and national provisions for the conservation and management of fisheries. In addition to this situation, other difficulties have been reported by the CPC in their annual reports as:

- The administrative, human or financial means (Belize, Cabo Verde, Gabon, Senegal, St Vincent & Grenadines, Suriname, Syria, Tunisia or United Kingdom Oversea Territories) can slow down to comply with the implementation of ICCAT conservation and management measures.
- The small territories (Belize, St Vincent & Grenadines, UKOT) or the artisanal fleet (Brazil, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon) are limiting to support the data collection, to develop monitoring or observer's programs or to transpose the regulations into the national regulations (Belize, Senegal).
- 5 CPCs have notified difficulties to report the information within the deadlines due to oversight (Canada) or the pandemic issue (Egypt, Syria, Tunisia, United States of America).
- CPCs (Algeria, Barbados, Belize, Chinese Taipei, Egypt, Guatemala, Namibia, St Vincent & Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, UKOT) continue to dedicate efforts by implementing or reviewing regulations as observers, traceability, by-catch, port states measures to improve their monitoring or observer's programs, inspection or the collaboration between people involved in fisheries management.
- There is always a need for training about the inspection, the by-catch, the endangered species or to identify species which will improve the quality on the data collection (Ghana, Suriname, Syria). In the same way, the data reporting is depending on the processing in the data collection (Mauritania, Syria).

Table 1 shows a thematic summary of the problems encountered by the CPCs, and **Annex 1** contains an extract from the Annual Reports for ease of reference.

Table 1. Thematic summary of the problems encountered by the CPCs in their implementation of and compliance with ICCAT conservation and management measures.

CPC	DIFFICULTIES											IMPROVEMENTS					OTHER						
	Time consuming	Financial, administrative or technical means	Required & quality data	By-catch issues	Small territories	Artisanal fleet monitoring	Coordination / Availabilities	Limited knowledge	Fleet / catches / landings increasing	List of requirements / rules transposition	Deadline	Pandemic Covid or natural disaster	Forms & IT issues	Port cooperation	Monitoring and/or observers programs	Implementation of regulations	Inspection	Dedicated staff / collaboration	Management or Training	Financial or technical support	No comments/No difficulties	Acknowledgment	
Albania																					x	x	
Algeria	x														x	x							
Barbados				x					x						x	x		x	x				
Belize		x			x		x									x							
Brazil						x	x														x		
Cabo Verde		x					x														x		
Canada											x											x	
China																						x	
Chinese Taipei					x											x							
Columbia																						x	
Curaçao									x														
Egypt							x			x	x				x		x						x
El Salvador															x							x	
Equatorial Guinea	x		x			x		x		x					x			x	x				
European Union																							x
Gabon		x					x		x														
Ghana			x				x	x		x			x										
Guatemala			x												x	x		x					
Guyana																							x
Iceland									x							x							
Japan																							x
Korea																							x
Liberia																		x					
Mauritania			x						x														
Mexico																							x
Morocco																							x
Namibia																x		x					
Nicaragua																							x
Norway																							x
Russia																x							
Sao Tome & Principe																							x
Senegal		x	x				x		x			x						x	x				
Sierra Leone																							x
St Vincent & Grenadine		x				x		x	x		x				x	x							
Suriname		x							x				x		x		x	x	x				
Syria		x						x	x	x	x												
Trinidad & Tobago															x	x		x	x	x			
Tunisia		x							x	x	x												
Turkey																							x
United Kingdom OT		x	x			x			x		x				x	x	x	x					
United States of America									x	x	x												
Uruguay																							x