

STATEMENT BY PANAMA TO PLENARY

The Republic of Panama would like to make a statement regarding adoption of the report containing the Commission's decisions.

In accordance with the procedural rules, the ICCAT Convention and the provisions established in Recommendation 03-20 on the decision making process, we would like to express and reiterate our position of support for the Republic of Colombia regarding its request for renewal of its status of cooperator in the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas. We request that the Commission reconsider the decision on this subject.