

**LETTER FROM THE PANEL 1 CHAIR ON HIS VIEW ON  
HOW TO PROCEED IN RELATION TO THE  
"DRAFT RECOMMENDATION BY ICCAT REPLACING RECOMMENDATION 21-01 ON A MULTI-ANNUAL  
CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME FOR TROPICAL TUNAS" (PA1-505/2022)**  
*(Submitted by the Chair of Panel 1)*

Dear Panel 1 members,

I take this opportunity to express my sincere greetings. As we are in the last quarter of 2022, let us resolve to move forward in our quest to:

1. Agree on a TAC of 70,000 t or 75,000 t to run through 2023-2026 and to be adjusted when a new assessment is conducted;
2. Produce adequate management measures to further prevent the exploitation of juvenile tuna species, particularly bigeye and yellowfin.
3. Agree on an allocation criteria as many CPCs believe the CI model is a "springboard" for moving forward;
4. Develop a possible key(s) to share quotas amicably, noting that all harvesters have a share in the resources (both large and small);
5. That the rights of coastal developing countries be carefully factored in the equation of the "bigeye phenomenon";
6. Other measures such as observer missions, deployment and monitoring of FADs etc. be taken in the interest of all to further sustain the fishery;
7. CPCs who have the utmost desire to move the fishery forward must come together to help harmonize all the shaky edges of our last two meetings held in June and October 2022 to formalize a new text in early 2023. As a democratic entity a few more brilliant ideas from all can be accepted;
8. I believe the desire is to see us take steps forward and agree on basic principles of togetherness, transparency and equity.

Thank you and let us make this meeting in Portugal a very smooth and successful one.

I will be looking forward to meeting you soon at the annual meeting.

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*Chair of Panel 1*