

Cover Sheet to accompany new proposals
(proposal submitted by Brazil)

Title of the Proposed Draft Recommendation/Resolution: *Draft Recommendation by ICCAT to replace Recommendation 23-02 on Brazil's bigeye tuna payback plan*

Title of currently in force recommendation(s) or resolution(s) addressing the same or related issues: *Recommendation by ICCAT on Brazil's bigeye tuna payback plan (Rec. 23-02)*

1. Does it create new **reporting obligation(s)** for CPCs? Yes No

Brief description of new reporting obligation(s):

2. Does it require additional input or **work by the SCRS**? Yes No

Is this work already included in the current SCRS workplan Yes No

Brief description of new scientific work required (i.e. stock assessment, analysis, external consultant):

3. Does it involve the creation of a **new working group or intersessional process**? Yes No

4. Does it require a new **programme or additional activities to be managed by the Secretariat**?

Yes No

Brief description of new Secretariat work required:

5. What is the proposed timeframe for implementation, and are there different specific timeframes for certain CPCs, fisheries, regions, etc.:

The proposed timeframe for implementation is 2025 to 2028.

6. Is there any other relevant information regarding the resource and workload implications of the proposal:

No.

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RECOGNISING the overharvest of 1,587.34 t from 2022 and 922.03 t from 2023;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that Brazil is paying back 355.34 t in 2024 from the 2022 overharvest;

FURTHER TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that Brazil has established a National Regulatory Framework to avoid the continued overharvest of bigeye tuna from 2023, under the coordination of the newly created Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture, joint with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change;

CONSIDERING that Brazil has recently strengthened the National Regulatory Framework through a programme with a more robust monitoring, control and inspection measures for tuna, besides bigeye tuna fisheries closures;

NOTING Brazil's disposition to payback accumulated exceeding catches and fulfill ICCAT's management and conservation measures;

FURTHER CONSIDERING that Brazil is committed to keep the goals of ICCAT's management and conservation plan for tropical tunas, especially the bigeye;

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

1. The remaining overharvest of bigeye tuna of 1,232 t from 2022 and the overharvest of 922.03 t from 2023 shall be paid back over a period of 4 years, from 2025 to 2028, in the following way:
 - 2025 to 2028: 538.5 t.
2. This Recommendation repeals and replaces the *Recommendation by ICCAT on Brazil's bigeye tuna payback plan (Rec. 23-02)*.