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LE SECRETAIRE GENERAL

To
Ms IOTC Chairperson
SEYCHELLES

No 015/19-MRHP/SG

Re: Responses to IOTC Feedback letter

Dear Chair,

I have the honour to forward you below the responses to the feedback regarding the level of compliance with IOTC Conservation and Management Measures by Madagascar, as determined at the 15th Session of the Compliance Committee.

Regards

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FEEDBACK	RESPONSES FROM MADAGASCAR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported nominal catch for coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	Data from 2016 are not yet available as the fisheries survey was still in the pilot phase in 2016.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported catch & effort for coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	Data from 2016 are not yet available as the fisheries survey was still in the pilot phase in 2016.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported size frequency for longline fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	Size frequency data from 2016 are hereby attached for 7 Malagasy-flagged longliners.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported size frequency for sharks, as required by Resolution 15/05. 	Data from 2016 are not yet available as there was no port sampler available at that time.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not implemented the requirement for a regional observer program, 5% for artisanal landings, as required by Resolution 11/04 	A sampler was deployed to monitor artisanal landings in Nosy be in 2017. Catch data are included in Madagascar National Report for 2018 (Report provided to the Secretariat on 21/11/18).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not provided observer reports, as required by Resolution 11/04 	07 observer reports were completed in 2017 and provided to the Secretariat on 04/02/19.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not provided the Report on imports, landings and transshipments of tuna and tuna like species products, as required by Resolution 10/10. 	Reports for 2017 and 2018 were provided to the Secretariat on 12/02/19
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not provided all the mandatory information on the fleet development plan, as required by Resolution 15/11 (FDP completed in 2015) 	The FDP update was provided to the Secretariat on 23/01/19.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported nominal catch for sharks to IOTC standard (by species), as required by Resolution 17/05. 	Nominal catch data for sharks from national longliners in 2016 are hereby attached.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported catch & effort for sharks to IOTC standard (by species), as required by Resolution 15/05. 	Catch & effort data for sharks in 2016 are reported together with catch & effort from national longliners and are hereby attached.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not provided the report on BET imports in the first half of 2017, as required by Resolution 01/06. 	Is being processed and will be provided shortly to the Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not provided the report on BET imports in the second half of 2016, as required by Resolution 01/06. 	Report provided to the Secretariat on 05/04/17
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not implemented the ban on large-scale driftnets, as required by Resolution 17/07 	A Decree on the ban will be enacted in 2019.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not provided the mandatory annual report on the statistical document programme, as required by Resolution 01/06 	Is being processed and will be provided shortly to the Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported data on interactions with sea turtles, as required by Resolution 12/04 	Data collection on sea turtles at the landing sites has been included in our data collection system for small-scale and artisanal fisheries in 2018, focusing first in training our samplers at the landings sites in the identification of sea turtle species. Pure data collection will start this year (2019). Regarding industrial fishery, we are relying on the fishing logs reporting and the landed catches in ports. According to these data, there was no interaction with sea turtles. (As mentioned in our National Report for 2017 provided to the Secretariat on 21/11/18).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported data on interactions with cetaceans, as required by Resolution 13/04. 	No interaction with cetaceans was reported by our fishing vessels (National Report for 2017 provided to the Secretariat on 21/11/18).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not reported data on interactions with whale sharks, as required by Resolution 13/05. 	No interaction with whale sharks was reported by our fishing vessels (National Report for 2017 provided to the Secretariat on 21/11/18).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not implemented the Regional observer program (nbr of vessels monitored and coverage per gears), as required by Resolution 	National vessels with observers aboard in 2017 had to return to port without deploying longline due to bad weather (reported to the Secretariat on 04/02/19).

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not implemented the requirement of the Regional observer program, 5% mandatory at sea (all vessels), as required by Resolution 11/04. 	National vessels with observers aboard in 2017 had to return to port without deploying longline due to bad weather (reported to the Secretariat on 04/02/19).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not provided the Report on foreign vessel landings in its ports in 2016, as required by Resolution 05/03. 	Report on foreign vessel landings in ports in 2016 is hereby attached.