The Parties to the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP), at the 5th Meeting of the Parties, held June 15, 2001, in San Salvador, El Salvador, 

Hereby agree as follows:

1. The Parties request that the Secretariat compile, based on observer reports and other available information, a list of purse-seine vessels identified as fishing in the Agreement Area that do not meet one of the following criteria: 1) the vessel is operating under the jurisdiction of a Party to the Agreement; or 2) the vessel is operating under the jurisdiction of a non-Party that is cooperating with the Parties to the Agreement by carrying on board an observer from the On-Board Observer Program and applying the relevant provisions of the Agreement.

2. For each vessel identified pursuant to paragraph 1, the Parties request that the Secretariat send a letter to the competent national authority of the flag state and request information regarding the status of the vessel. In particular, such communication should request that the flag state provide information regarding whether the vessel is authorized by the flag state to engage in fishing activities in the Agreement Area and, if so, whether the flag state is prepared and able to apply the relevant provisions of the Agreement with respect to the operation of the vessel in question, including the placement of an observer from the On-Board Observer Program.

3. If, from the response to such inquiry, the Meeting of the Parties determines that the vessel in question is not meeting the criteria of paragraph 2, or that the flag state is not prepared and able to apply the Agreement in respect of the vessel in question, the vessel shall be placed on the list of non-cooperating vessels. In such case, the Parties shall request that the IATTC not include such vessel on its Regional Vessel Register.

4. The Parties request that the Director present an annual report to the Meeting of the Parties. This report should include a list of vessels identified pursuant to paragraph 1 and the responses to all inquiries sent pursuant to paragraph 2.