AMENDMENT TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP ON FISHING BY NON-PARTIES

The Parties to the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP):

Recognizing that tuna fisheries are now a global phenomenon, and that fishing vessels can migrate between oceans to prosecute such fisheries;

Further recognizing that there is a growing phenomenon of fishing vessels moving between different oceans to escape action against Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported (IUU) fishing activities taken by other regional fisheries organizations;

agree to amend the Terms of Reference for the Joint Working Group on Fishing by Non-Parties as follows:

The following new sub-paragraph “e” be inserted after the existing sub-paragraph “d” in section 2, Functions:

“e. when reviewing and monitoring the compliance of a non-party and determining whether it has fulfilled the requirements to obtain the status of Co-operating Non-Party, Entity or Fishing Entity, the Joint Working Group shall also take into account the activities of these non-parties as co-operating non-parties or non-parties in other oceans which have regional fisheries organizations that regulate the conservation and management of highly migratory fish stocks under their competence.”

The following sub-paragraphs remain as currently drafted, with the appropriate changes in identification.

This resolution shall enter into force upon its adoption.