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

The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC):

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;

agrees 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 once the Parties to the AIDCP have approved these amendments to the Terms of Reference.