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Dr. Arnulfo Franco, Director
Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC)
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Subject: Submission of Annual Seabird Report on Implementation of Mitigation Measures and Bycatch Data

Dear Dr. Franco:

The United States is submitting this letter pursuant to Resolution C-11-02 (*Resolution to Mitigate the Impacts on Seabirds of Fishing for Species Covered by the IATTC*). Please find enclosed the final 2022 Annual Report on Seabird Interactions and Mitigation Efforts in Hawaii Longline Fisheries. This report contains information on the implementation of mitigation measures for U.S. vessels operating inside and outside of the IATTC Convention Area. Additionally, we have attached the estimated interaction rates with seabirds specific to the IATTC Convention Area for 2023.

Please contact Amanda Munro at (619) 407-9284 or amanda.munro@noaa.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Species of Seabird	Observed Takes
<i>Deep Set Longline Fishery</i>	
Albatross, Laysan	0
Albatross, Black-footed	11

Species of Seabird	Observed Takes
<i>Shallow Set Longline Fishery</i>	
Albatross, Laysan	0
Albatross, Black-footed	0