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Sea Birds Report 2024- Vanuatu

Report on national compliance scheme and actions taken to implement Resolution C11-02;

- 1. Vanuatu is currently implementing this Resolution under its NPOA on Seabirds where vessels are required to carry onboard Tori lines as a mitigation tool in order to limit the interactions with seabirds out at sea. Vanuatu has also implemented Electronic Reporting (ER) onboard all its vessels. However, based on available data, there were no interactions reported by vessel operators in 2024.
- 2. Observer coverage onboard Vanuatu's vessels has been high compared to previous years reaching 17.3% in 2024. As a result, in 2024 Observers reported a total of 10 seabird interactions on shallow sets across all Vanuatu-flagged vessels operating in the IATTC area. These interations include 6 Laysan albatross (*Phoebastria immutabilis*) and 4 black-footed albatross (*Phoebastria nigripes*)).
- 3. Vanuatu continues to provide its catch reports to the Director.