

COMISION INTERAMERICANA DEL ATUN TROPICAL (CIAT) INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION (IATTC)

MEMORANDUM

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To: Commissioners and Heads of Delegation
c.c.: Bolivia, Chile, Honduras, Indonesia and Liberia
From: Antonio Vásquez, Chair of the Review Committee (COR)
Re: Review Committee (COR): 17th meeting and 2nd Special Biennial Meeting –Organization of work

As a follow-up to Memorandum Ref. 0290-410 concerning the arrangements for the Second Special Biennial Meeting of the Review Committee (COR) and its 17th meeting, and having considered the views expressed by CPCs, the Chair, in consultation with the Director, wishes to provide the following information regarding the organization of work for these two meetings.

The Second Special Biennial Meeting will be convened on 26 August 2026, during the second day of the meeting of the Committee, preferably immediately after its adjournment. The agenda of that meeting will focus on progress made, and to be made, regarding the priority elements of the COR Work Plan.

This arrangement is based on a careful weighing by the Chair of the time available during the meeting of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies in Lisbon against the substantive issues that are ready to be discussed at the Special Meeting – taking into consideration that the intersessional work on categorization of possible noncompliance continues to advance as does the work on the Work Plan elements.

The Chair is of the view that the matters before the Committee are best served by formal deliberation within the Committee meeting itself, rather than through a separate exchange, where such discussion would not add measurable value to the overall process.

This approach is reflected in the provisional agendas of COR17 and of the special meeting, which have been drafted with a view to ensuring that each item receives the attention it deserves within the time span available. These agendas are posted in the corresponding meeting page on the IATTC website.

In the absence of any comments or manifestations to the contrary, the Chair will consider that there is agreement on this organization of work as described above and the necessary arrangements shall be made accordingly.

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