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RES C 11-02 SEA BIRDS

Vanuatu is currently implementing this Resolution under its IPOA 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 implemented the use of Electronic Reporting (ER) onboard its vessels however, based on available data, in 2022 and 2023 there were no records of sea bird interactions reported by vessel operators.

Observer coverage onboard Vanuatu's vessel has also been low (0% in 2022 and 0.5% in 2023) therefore we confirm that there have been no sea bird interactions in 2022 and 2023 for all Vanuatu flag vessels that were active in the IATTC.

Your acknowledgement and consideration of the information is highly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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