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MEMORANDUM

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To: Commissioners and Heads of Delegation

c.c.: Bolivia, Chile, Honduras, Indonesia and Liberia

From: Julio Guevara, Chair of the Permanent Working Group on Capacity of the Fleet

Arnulfo L. Franco, Director

Re: Workshop on Management of Fleet Capacity in the Antigua Convention Area (Santa Marta,

Colombia, July 29-31, 2024)

In accordance with what was proposed and agreed during the 24th meeting of the Permanent Working Group on Capacity of the Fleet and the 101st meeting of the IATTC in 2023, it was agreed that a workshop would be held on the proposal for a plan of action on fleet capacity based on a scheme of credits for transferable fishing days.

Given the impossibility of holding it in Panama in January 2024 as initially scheduled, the search for an alternative venue and dates was successful thanks to Colombia's positive response.

With the support of the Colombian authorities, the workshop will take place in Santa Marta on July 29, 30 and 31, 2024, at the Marine and Coastal Research Institute "José Benito Vives de Andres" (INVEMAR) (Playa Salguero, Santa Marta).

Participants will be accommodated at the Hilton Garden Hotel in Santa Marta, and will be transported to and from INVEMAR, located about 10 minutes away, with specially chartered buses.

To ensure the success of the workshop, representation and active participation of all interested Members and Cooperating Non-Members and their fishing sector, particularly those that would be involved in or affected by the implementation of the scheme, is very important. At the same time, logistical and efficiency imperatives make it necessary to reasonably limit the number of participants.

For these reasons, each Member and Cooperating Non-Member concerned is invited to designate in advance no more than two representatives, one from the competent national authority and the other from the fisheries sector, and to notify the names of these representatives as soon as possible to Ms. Mónica Galván, mgalvan@iattc.org for all necessary coordination and arrangements.

In particular, it should be recalled that the participation of <u>one representative per developing Member</u> will be covered by the Training Fund, and it is therefore also requested that the corresponding request be sent to the Secretariat.