INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION 103RD MEETING

Panama City, Panama 1-5 September 2025

PROPOSAL IATTC-103 A-1

SUBMITTED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION

RESOLUTION C-25-XX ON THE SIMPLIFICATION OF THE IATTC LEGAL FRAMEWORK INCLUDING REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The European Union is proposing a new Resolution on the simplification of the current IATTC legal framework, including reporting obligations.

The proposal seeks to reduce and simplify the existing body of decisions and resolutions in place in IATTC, which in some cases might be outdated. As a first step, the Secretariat should be tasked with carrying out an assessment of the current legal framework, including reporting obligations, and make suggestions for simplification in preparation of the 2026 Annual Meeting.

The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), gathered in Panama City on its 103rd Meeting:

Affirming the importance of ensuring that the system of provisions defined by the Commission remains effective, updated and easily implementable;

Concerned that the current IATTC resolutions might contain provisions that are obsolete, contradictory or no longer applicable;

Noting the need to ensure a constant revision of the applicable norms to make sure that they are understood and implemented and that operators can comply with them without any unnecessary burden;

Recognizing that clear and updated rules are essential to improve the overall compliance:

Agrees as follows:

- 1. The Secretariat will carry out an assessment of the existing body of decisions and resolutions, including reporting obligations, and will draft a document with suggestions concerning the possible amendment or elimination of those measures which are outdated or no longer necessary.
- 2. This assessment and the resulting draft document with suggestions shall be completed by the Secretariat by 15 June 2026 and presented to CPCs in the course of a dedicated virtual meeting of the Heads of Delegation.
- 3. At its 2026 Annual Meeting, the Commission on the basis of the analysis of the Secretariat and taking into account the outcome of the discussions of the dedicated meeting shall deliberate on the follow-up of this process and amend where relevant those measures which are outdated or no longer necessary.