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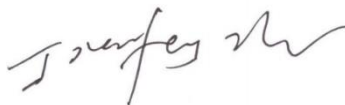
Dr. Arnulfo Franco  
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La Jolla, California

## **Subject: Annual report on implementation for 2022 by China on C-15-04**

Mobulid rays are one of the bycatch species in the Chinese longline fishery in EPO. We attach great importance to rays management each year. Fishing vessels are prohibited from retaining onboard, transshipping, landing, storing or selling mobulid rays. All alive mobulid rays were cautiously released.

Fifteen observers were sent to our longline vessels operating in EPO in 2022. According to observer data, twenty-four Giant manta rays (21 alive, 3 dead) and fifty-three Mobula rays (51 alive, 2 dead) were recorded.

Regards,



**Jiangfeng ZHU**

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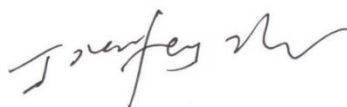
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## **Subject: Annual report on implementation for 2021 by China on C-15-04**

Mobulid rays are one of the bycatch species in the Chinese longline fishery in EPO. we attach great importance to rays management each year. The bycatch information of mobulid rays by Chinese fishing vessels each year was collected by logbook data and observer data.

Sixteen observers were sent to our longline vessels operating in EPO in 2021. The data of targeting species, by-catch species (sharks, marlins, etc.), and size frequency data were collected during the observations. The observer annual report for 2021 in the eastern Pacific Ocean had been sent to the IATTC secretariat in March. According to Chinese observer data in 2021, no mobulid rays were caught by fishing vessels operating in the IATTC Convention area.

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## **Subject: Annual report on implementation for 2020 by China on C-15-04**

Mobulid rays are one of the bycatch species in the Chinese longline fishery in EPO. we attach great importance to rays management each year. The bycatch information of mobulid rays by Chinese fishing vessels each year was collected by logbook data and observer data.

Fourteen observers were sent to our longline vessels operating in EPO in 2020. The data of targeting species, by-catch species (sharks, marlins, etc.), and size frequency data were collected during the observations. The observer annual report for 2020 in EPO had been sent to the IATTC secretariat in March last year. According to Chinese observer data in 2020, no mobulid rays were caught by fishing vessels operating in the IATTC Convention area.

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