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ESTIMATED BUDGET DEFICIT FOR 2002

At the 27th meeting of the IRP in June 2001, the Secretariat indicated that the current level of vessel assessments will not be enough to cover the costs related to the AIDCP for 2002, and proposed an increase in these assessments to US\$13.60 per cubic meter of well volume. The IRP did not support the proposed increase.

At its 5th meeting, held in August 2001, the IATTC Working Group on Finance addressed the shortfall in the IATTC general budget and was advised of the expected deficit related to the AIDCP program. The Working Group agreed that the IATTC should pay no more than 30% of the costs associated with the AIDCP On-Board Observer Program for vessels of member states. Accordingly, the assessments for vessels of non-member states would be correspondingly higher.

At the Meeting of the Parties to the AIDCP in October 2001, it was decided that some of the information relating to costs be broken down into finer detail for discussion at the next meeting of the IRP.

At the 29th meeting of the IRP the Secretariat presented Document IRP-29-13, outlining several options for reducing costs that would mitigate the shortfalls in the budget of the AIDCP. At this time it was noted that none of these options would cover the shortfall, and without additional income the only solution would be to stop placing observers on vessels at some point during the year. The Panel decided to consider this issue again at its next meeting.

Table 1 shows the estimated costs and revenue for the IDCP for the years 2001 to 2004. The estimates assume that inflation will increase general costs and salaries by 2% and exclude the IATTC's portion of the costs and funding.

Table 2 shows details of anticipated IDCP costs and funds received to date for the IDCP in 2002. The funds will run out in October (a 2.25 month shortfall). If all assessments currently owed but not yet paid are received before that date, the funds will run out in November (a 1.27 month shortfall).

Even if the outstanding balance is paid, there is still an expected deficit of \$257,963 for 2002. If all vessels over 363 mt capacity participated in the IDCP, as assumed in the budget, the deficit would be \$33,484.

The Secretariat proposes three alternatives:

- a) Increase vessel assessments to US\$13.60/m³ for vessels of IATTC member states and US\$19.43/m³ for vessels of other states; or
- b) Provide direct funding for the IDCP from the Parties to the Agreement; or
- c) Discontinue placement of observers and other services provided by the Secretariat in any year upon depletion of IDCP funds.

The Secretariat proposes that the Panel determine which of the above options would best meet the financial needs of the AIDCP, and recommend that option to the Meeting of the Parties.

TABLE 1. IDCP: Allocation of costs, 2001-2004.

TABLA 1. PICD: Distribución de costos, 2001-2004.

(US\$)	2001 (estimated— estimados)	2002	2003	2004
		(projected—proyectados)		
COSTS-COSTOS:				
Covered at 70% or -Cubiertos al 70%				
Gross costs-Costo bruto:				
Observers (wages, travel, equipment) Observadores (sueldos, viajes, equipo)	\$1,202,472	\$1,226,522	\$1,251,052	\$1,276,073
IATTC staff (part) Personal de la CIAT (porción)	548,459	632,395	650,420	697,151
IATTC field office staff and facilities (part) Personal e instalaciones de las oficinas regionales de la CIAT (porción)	174,012	177,492	181,042	151,642
Contract services for data entry Servicios por contrato para ingreso de datos	17,662	18,015	18,376	18,743
Training courses Cursos de entrenamiento	5,474	5,583	5,695	5,809
Subtotal	\$1,948,079	\$2,060,007	\$2,106,585	\$2,149,419
70% of/del subtotal	1,363,655	1,442,005	1,474,609	1,504,593
Covered at 100%-Cubiertos al 100%				
AIDCP Certification Costs	0	20,000	5,000	5,000
Trial Sets	10,319	10,525	10,736	10,951
IATTC administration (part) Administración CIAT (porción)	277,753	291,385	302,948	320,204
Meetings of Parties and IRP Reuniones de las Partes y del PIR	40,242	65,000	41,868	42,705
TOTAL	\$1,691,969	\$1,828,915	\$1,835,161	\$1,883,452
Total vessel assessments paid Total de cuotas de buques pagadas	1,316,640	1,795,431	1,600,655	1,600,655
Surplus (deficit) – Superávit (déficit)	(375,329)	(33,484)	(234,506)	(282,797)

TABLE 2. IDCP: Projected shortfall, 2002.

TABLA 2. PICD: Déficit proyectado, 2002.

(US\$)	2001 (actual— reales)	2002		
		(estimated— estimados)	(projected—proyectados)	
			with cash received— con dinero recibido	with amounts owed—con fondos debidos
EXPENDITURE-GASTOS:				
IATTC Observer Program—Programa observadores CIAT	584,424	618,002	618,002	618,002
AIDCP Observer Program—Programa observadores APICD	1,363,655	1,442,005	1,442,005	1,442,005
Other costs (meetings, etc.)—Otros gastos (reuniones, etc.)	328,314	386,910	386,910	386,910
TOTAL	2,276,393	2,446,917	2,446,917	2,446,917
Average monthly cost—Costo mensual medio			203,910	
INCOME-INGRESOS:				
Vessel assessments—Cuotas de buques	1,316,640	1,795,431	1,371,074	1,570,952
IATTC Observer Program contribution—Contribución CIAT al programa de observadores	584,424	618,002	618,002	618,002
TOTAL	1,901,064	2,413,433	1,989,076	2,188,954
Surplus (deficit) – Superávit (déficit)	(375,329)	(33,484)	(457,841)	(257,963)
Unfunded months—Meses sin fondos			(2.25)	(1.27)