# INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION 85<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

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## PROPOSAL IATTC-85 N-1

## SUBMITTED BY MEXICO

#### RESOLUTION ON THE USE OF INFORMATION ON COMPLIANCE

The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC):

Recalling that the IATTC should base its measures on the best available scientific evidence.

*Recognising* the importance of strengthening multilateral cooperation, by means of agreed mechanisms in the IATTC and particularly the exchange of information.

Affirming that multilateral actions are more appropriate and effective than unilateral actions.

Considering that in the framework of Resolution C-11-07 on compliance. It is established that the IATTC will review annually compliance with, and implementation of, Commission resolutions by each member, based on *inter alia*, the compliance report provided by the Director.

Taking into consideration that Article XVIII of the "Antigua Convention" on the implementation, compliance and enforcement by Parties states that each Party shall authorize the use and release, subject to any applicable rules of confidentiality, of pertinent information recorded by on-board observers of the Commission or a national program.

*Recalling* that the "Antigua Convention", in article XXII establishes that the Commission shall determine rules of confidentiality for access to, use of, and release of information in accordance with the Convention.

#### Agrees:

- 1. That information regarding compliance, that is provided by any Member in the framework of IATTC resolutions is of a strictly confidential nature and its use shall be restricted to the ends that the Commission itself establishes, unless the Member authorizes its release.
- 2. That the resolutions adopted within the Commission as well as their observation by Members have as their objective compliance with the Commission's objectives. Therefore information contained in the resolutions may not be used by any Member for unilateral processes that have not been previously agreed by the Commission.
- 3. That the Commission and the member countries may use only within the framework of the IATTC the information referred to in item 1 above.