

**INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION**

**85<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

**Veracruz, Veracruz (Mexico)  
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**PROPOSAL IATTC-85 O-1**

**SUBMITTED BY MEXICO**

**RESOLUTION ON LENGTH SAMPLING**

*Taking into account* that Resolution C-03-05 on the provision of data, in paragraph 2, establishes as a minimum requirement providing the Commission with catch and effort data and whenever possible, also specific data on length frequencies;

*Recognising* that that information is fundamental for the assessment of tuna stocks and fundamental for determining the impact of the fisheries on those stocks; and can improve sustainability.

*Aware* that the IATTC carries out length sampling of tuna at the various ports of the eastern Pacific Ocean (EPO) and that this needs to be complemented by the information regarding lengths to which the above-mentioned resolution refers; and

*That* in order to ensure the effectiveness and proper implementation of Resolution C-03-05, regarding specific length-frequency data for the species covered by the Commission that are caught by all the fisheries, full compliance by all fleets is imperative;

*It is agreed that:*

The Commission shall submit annually a representative sample of lengths by fishery and by type of vessel upon unloading.