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VESSEL ASSESSMENTS FOR 2002

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Proposal

To increase the assessments for tuna purse seiners participating in the International Dolphin Conservation Program (IDCP) to the equivalent of US\$13.60 per cubic meter of well volume.

Background

The assessments for 1999, 2000, and 2001 were increased to US\$12.552 per cubic meter of well volume. This increase was adopted to (1) recover deficits in funding from 1995 to 1998 and (2) cover the increased costs of operation of the IDCP. After the increase, there was an operating surplus of US\$141,294 at the end of 1999.

The estimated costs incurred for IATTC activities related to the implementation of the IDCP in 2000 and 2001 have been greater than the revenue from vessel assessments, and are also expected to be greater in 2002, as is shown in Table 1.

Proposed action

In order for the assessments for 2002 to cover operating costs in 2002 plus the deficit accumulated in 2000 and 2001, vessel assessments will have to be increased by US\$1.05 (8%) to US\$13.60 per cubic meter of well volume. Costs have increased by more than 8% over the three years, but the increase has been partially offset by the introduction of the national programs of Venezuela and Ecuador.

The International Review Panel should recommend to the Meeting of the Parties that the assessments for tuna purse-seine vessels participating in the IDCP be increased to US\$13.60 per cubic meter of well volume.

TABLE 1. IDCP: Allocation of costs, FY 2000-2003.

TABLA 1. PICD: Distribución de costos, AF 2000-2003.

(US\$)	FY-AF	2000 (estimated— estimados)	2001	2002	2003
			(projected—proyectados)		
COSTS-COSTOS:					
Covered at 70%-Cubiertos al 70%					
Gross costs-Costo bruto:					
Observers (wages, travel, equipment) Observadores (sueldos, viajes, equipo)		\$1,278,847	\$1,222,769	\$1,191,208	\$1,220,989
IATTC staff (part) Personal de la CIAT (porción)		519,845	532,087	559,438	593,511
IATTC administration (part) Administración CIAT (porción)		286,186	285,948	294,699	305,082
IATTC field office staff and facilities (part) Personal e instalaciones de las oficinas regionales de la CIAT (porción)		253,978	260,328	266,836	273,507
Contract services for data entry Servicios por contrato para ingreso de datos		13,510	13,848	14,194	14,549
Training courses Cursos de entrenamiento		3,000	3,075	3,152	3,231
Subtotal		\$2,355,366	\$2,318,055	\$2,329,527	\$2,410,867
70% of/del subtotal		1,648,756	1,622,638	1,630,669	1,687,607
Covered at 100%-Cubiertos al 100%					
Meetings of Parties and IRP Reuniones de las Partes y del PIR		29,219	21,281	21,813	22,358
TOTAL		\$1,677,975	\$1,643,919	\$1,652,482	\$1,709,965
Total vessel assessments paid Total de cuotas de buques pagadas		1,497,891	1,600,655	1,600,655	1,600,655
Surplus (deficit) – Superávit (déficit)		(180,084)	(43,264)	(51,827)	(109,310)