

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

89TH MEETING

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PROPOSAL IATTC-89 G-1

SUBMITTED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION

**TO REVISE RESOLUTION C-13-01 ON THE BASIS OF THE BEST
SCIENTIFIC ADVICE**

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

As set out in it Paragraph 19 b, Resolution C-13-01 establishes that the conservation and management measures shall be evaluated in the context of the results of the stock assessment and of changes in the level of active capacity in the purse seine fleet based on the advice of the Scientific Advisory Committee and the IATTC Staff.

In early 2015 the total Purse-seiner active capacity in the EPO dramatically increased from 243.000 m3 to roughly 271.000 m3 which is a 11,5% increase. Although most of this increase is allocated to a single fleet which operates under the conditions established in Paragraph 12 of Resolution C-02-03, it is necessary to assess its impact and, where appropriate, revise Resolution C-13-01.

RESOLUTION C-13-01

**MULTIANNUAL PROGRAM FOR THE CONSERVATION OF TUNA
IN THE EASTERN PACIFIC OCEAN DURING 2014-2016**

3. All purse-seine vessels covered by these measures must stop fishing in the Convention Area for a period of 62 days in 2014, 62 days in 2015, and [To be decided by the Commission in accordance with Paragraph 19 below] days in 2016. These closures shall be effected in one of two periods in each year as follows:

2014 - 29 July to 28 September, or from 18 November to 18 January 2015.

2015 - 29 July to 28 September, or from 18 November to 18 January 2016.

2016 - [29 July to 28 September, or from 18 November to 18 January 2017.]