

# INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

## 90<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

La Jolla, USA  
27 June – 1 July 2016

### PROPOSAL IATTC-90 E-1

#### SUBMITTED BY JAPAN

### RESOLUTION ON RULES OF PROCEDURE REGARDING TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF BIGEYE CATCH LIMIT BY LARGE SCALE LONGLINERS

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

**Goal:** This draft resolution is to establish a procedure regarding temporary transfer of bigeye catch limit by large scale longline among Members and Cooperating non-Members of the Commission (hereinafter referred to as “CPCs”).

**Rationale:** In order to ensure transparency, it is necessary for IATTC to establish a clear procedure for transfer of fishing opportunities such as catch limit and fishing capacity between CPCs. The 83<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Commission approved Resolution C-12-06, which has provided a procedure regarding vessel charters with temporary transfers of fishing capacity between purse seine CPCs. This draft resolution would provide a similar transfer procedure for catch limit of bigeye between large scale longline CPCs.

*The Inter American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), gathered in La Jolla, USA, on the occasion of its 90th meeting:*

*Recognizing* that a clear procedure regarding transfer of fishing opportunities such as fishing capacity and catch limit between CPCs is necessary to ensure transparency; and

*Taking into account* Resolution C-12-06 which provides a transfer procedure for fishing capacity between purse seine CPCs;

*Agrees:*

To adopt the following rules of procedure regarding temporary transfer of bigeye catch limit by large scale longlines:

1. The catch limit for bigeye by large scale tuna longline vessels may be temporarily transferred between CPCs.
2. Both CPCs involved in such transfer shall, separately or jointly, notify the Commission of the transfer. The notification shall specify the amount of transfer and the year subject to the transfer.
3. The CPC which receives the transfer shall be responsible for management of the transferred catch limit, including monitoring and monthly reporting of the catch.
4. The transferred catch limit may not be transferred again under any condition.