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INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION (IATTC)

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**MEMORANDUM**

6 May 2026  
Ref.: 0205-410

To: Commissioners and Heads of Delegation  
c.c.: Bolivia, Chile, Honduras, Indonesia and Liberia  
From: Colin Brinkman, Co-Chair  
Guillermo Moran, Co-Chair  
Arnulfo Franco, Director  
Re: *Ad Hoc* Working Group on Electronic Monitoring (EMWG) – 4th Meeting (27-28 May 2026) (by videoconference)

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The Co-Chairs of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group on Electronic Monitoring (EMWG) and the Director of the IATTC hereby convene the 4th meeting of the EMWG, to be held by videoconference on 27-28 May 2026.

This meeting is convened pursuant to the agreement reached at the 3rd meeting of the EMWG, as recorded in Section 7 of the Co-Chairs' Report of that meeting, which was presented to the Commission at its 103rd meeting with no objections. That section reads as follows:

*“The group discussed the possibility of holding two intersessional meetings in 2026 to further discuss goals and scope, to develop a work plan, to work with the Secretariat on preferred formats for data submissions, to review data and other information submitted to the Secretariat and working group regarding the implementation of EM in the EPO. The Co-Chairs suggested that the two intersessional meetings would be in virtual format, and the group requested that each meeting consist of two short 2-3 hour sessions. One delegation asked the co-chairs to explore the possibility of holding a meeting on the margins of the SAC meeting in 2026.”*

In order to share the burden associated with difficult meeting hours across time zones, the two sessions will be held at the following times:

- 27 May 2026: 9:00 AM Pacific Daylight Time (16:00 GMT)
- 28 May 2026: 2:00 PM Pacific Daylight Time (21:00 GMT)

The provisional agenda for the 4th meeting of the EMWG is attached as Annex 1.

**Annex:** as indicated. -

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