



CCSBT-EC/0310/11

8. Report from the Scientific Committee

Purpose

To consider the report of the Scientific Committee

Discussion

The 8th Scientific Committee Report is presented to this meeting as CCSBT-EC/0310/Rep14.

The independent Chair will provide a verbal presentation of the Committee's recommendations for consideration by the Extended Commission. The report will include:

- advice on the status of the SBT stock and recommendations on the stock assessment process for 2004
- recommendations on the adoption of CCSBT scientific observer program standards
- endorsement of scientific activities that will require the use of RMA
- a report on the CCSBT tagging program including a recommendation to establish a small technical group, which would convene in 2004 to evaluate the effectiveness of tagging and recovery in estimating mortality rates and recruitment trends.

The independent Chair will make a separate presentation on the development of a management procedure for the CCSBT under agenda item 9.

Prepared by the Secretariat