



CCSBT-EC/1210/07

REVIEW OF SBT FISHERIES AND ERS INTERACTIONS

Purpose

Discussion by Members and Cooperating Non-Members on recent activities in the fishery.

Background

The Extended Commission has determined that each Member and Cooperating Non-Member will submit a paper in an agreed format (see Attachment A¹), reporting on its SBT fishing activities in the previous season and including all sources of SBT mortality. The reports should also include a table of observed ERS interactions including mortalities, and methods of scaling to produce estimates of total mortality.

Reports are assumed to have been read. This agenda item is for questions, comments and follow-up discussion in relation to the reports.

The reports for this agenda item are provided as “CCSBT-CC/1209/SBT Fisheries” in the meeting document list.

In addition to the general review of SBT fisheries, three sub-agenda items have been included for discussion within the review of fisheries topic. These are:

- (1) Market Monitoring
- (2) Australian SBT farming operations, including implementation of stereo video monitoring
- (3) Other

¹ Intersessional discussion was held during 2012 on a revised reporting format, but consensus was not reached so Members were advised to use the currently agreed format (see Attachment A) for the 2012 annual meeting.

**Template for the
Annual Review of SBT Fisheries for the Annual Meeting of the Extended Commission**

(this template originates from the proforma that was circulated on 26/11/1996 following the decision for standardised reporting by CCSBT 3(1). Changes since then are footnoted below.)

1. Introduction
2. Operational Constraints on Effort
 - Voluntary Measures
 - Regulatory Measures
3. Catch and Effort
 - All sources of mortality (e.g. discards together with discard fate [live/dead] and recreational fishing) should be included².
4. Historical Catch and Effort
5. Annual Fleet Size and Distribution
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7. Fisheries Monitoring
 - Amongst other things, this should include:*
 - Scientific observer coverage levels reported in accordance with the Scientific Observer Standards so that performance against the target could be properly assessed³.
 - Details on the level of coverage and type of audit undertaken, in accordance with paragraph 5.8 of the CDS resolution, and the level of compliance⁴.
8. Other Factors
 - Import/Export Statistics
 - Including a report on SBT imports and a breakdown of domestic consumption versus exports⁵.
 - Markets
 - Including a report on the Member's/CNM's domestic markets and consumption of SBT⁵.
 - Mitigation
 - ERS interactions⁶
 - Provide a table of observed interactions & mortalities, and methods of scaling to produce estimates of total ERS mortality in the same format as presented in Attachment 4 of the ERSWG8 Report.

² CCSBT 11, paragraph 25 and CC5, paragraph 7g

³ CCSBT 11, paragraph 24

⁴ Paragraph 5.9 of the CDS resolution

⁵ CCSBT 11, paragraph 25 and CCSBT 17, paragraph 19

⁶ CCSBT 16, paragraph 34