RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR THE CROSS-LISTING OF VESSELS CONTAINED ON IUU VESSEL LISTS OF OTHER TUNA RFMOs ON THE ICCAT IUU VESSEL LIST IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATION 11-18

RECALLING paragraph 11 of the Recommendation by ICCAT Further Amending Recommendation 09-10 Establishing a List of Vessels Presumed to have Carried Out Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Activities in the ICCAT Convention Area [Rec. 11-18];

RECOGNIZING the need to facilitate efficient and effective implementation of ICCAT’s IUU vessel list recommendation, in particular the process to incorporate into ICCAT’s IUU vessel list those vessels included in the IUU vessel lists of other regional fisheries management organizations (RFMOs) that manage tuna and tuna-like species;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the Basic principles for adopting measures for cross-listing vessels listed as IUU by other RFMOs endorsed in the recommendations of the 3rd Joint Meeting of the Tuna RFMO, held in La Jolla, California in 2011 and acknowledging, in particular, the need to preserve the decision-making authority of ICCAT in any cross-listing decision by ensuring that members have the opportunity to consider each vessel on a case-by-case basis prior to its inclusion in the ICCAT IUU vessel list;

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF ATLANTIC TUNA (ICCAT) RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

a) The ICCAT Secretariat will maintain appropriate contacts with the Secretariats of other RFMOs managing tuna or tuna-like species in order to obtain copies of these RFMOs’ IUU vessel lists in a timely manner upon adoption or amendment.

b) As soon as possible after adoption or amendment of an IUU vessel list by another RFMO managing tuna or tuna-like species, the ICCAT Secretariat will collect all supporting documentation available from that RFMO regarding the listing/delisting determinations.

c) Once the ICCAT Secretariat has received/collection the information outlined in paragraphs (a) and (b), it will, consistent with Recommendation 11-18, circulate the other RFMO’s IUU vessel list, supporting information, and any other relevant information regarding the listing determination to all CPCs. The requisite circular will clearly state the reason the information is being provided and explain that ICCAT Contracting Parties have 30 days to object to the inclusion of the vessels on the ICCAT IUU vessel list.

d) The ICCAT Secretariat will add any new vessels contained in the other RFMO’s IUU vessel list to the final ICCAT IUU Vessel List at the end of the 30-day period provided no objection to such inclusion is received from a Contracting Party pursuant to paragraph 11 of Recommendation 11-18. If a CPC objects to inclusion of any vessel, the ICCAT Secretariat will instead include such vessel on the Draft IUU Vessel List, and then the Provisional IUU Vessel List to be considered by the PWG at the next Annual meeting.

e) Where a vessel has been included on the ICCAT IUU vessel list solely due to its inclusion on another RFMO’s IUU vessel list, the ICCAT Secretariat will immediately remove that vessel from the ICCAT list when it has been deleted by the RFMO that originally listed it.

f) Upon the addition or deletion of vessels from the final ICCAT IUU Vessel List pursuant to paragraph 11 of Recommendation 11-18, the ICCAT Secretariat will circulate the final ICCAT IUU Vessel List as amended to ICCAT CPCs.