

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

**75<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

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**RESOLUTION C-07-05**

**CALCULATING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE IATTC BUDGET**

*The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC):*

*Recognizing* the importance of equity and stability in the calculation of the contributions of members to the Commission's budget, and of fully funding the work of the Commission so that it may fulfill its duties and responsibilities,

*Resolves as follows:*

The following elements shall be used in the determination of the contributions of members to the IATTC budget:

1. Each member's contribution shall be calculated as follows: 10% of the total budget, minus any special contributions, shall be divided equally among all the members (base contribution); the remaining 90% shall be allocated among members, weighted by their Gross National Income (GNI) category in accordance with the following:
  - a. an operational component (10%);
  - b. the catches by their flag vessels (65%);
  - c. their utilization of tuna from the eastern Pacific Ocean (15%).

Category	GNI range (US\$)
0.5	< 1,499
1	1,500 - 3,499
2	3,500 - 6,499
3	6,500 - 10,999
4	11,000 - 15,999
5	16,000 >

Table 1. GNI categories used for allocating contributions

2. The weighting factors used in calculating contributions shall be the same as the GNI categories.
3. Each member's catch contribution shall be based on the annual average of the catches by its flag vessels in the three most recent years for which catch data are available.
4. In the determination of a member's utilization, 50% of the tuna loins included in the calculation shall be attributed to the member that exported the loins and 50% to the member that imported them.
5. In the case of a member that is also a member of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission, only 50% of catches made by its flag vessels in the overlap area between the two Commissions shall be included in the calculation of that member's contribution based on catch.
6. This formula shall be applied to the budget for FY 2009, and shall continue in use until the annual meeting of the IATTC following the entry into force of the Antigua Convention.