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**REPORT ON THE PROGRESS IN THE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE IUU
LSTLVs**

In accordance with the ICCAT and IOTC Resolutions, Japan, in cooperation with Taiwan, has been working to eliminate Taiwanese IUU LSTLVs. By February 2002, Japan and Taiwan reached an agreement to scrap the Japan-built Taiwanese IUU LSTLVs and re-register to Taiwan of the Taiwan-built IUU LSTLVs. Despite this agreement, in 2002, there still remained around 100 FOC-LSTLVs. Seventy percent of those were new, leaving no room for re-registration to Taiwan. Then, further consultations continued and led to a new program to expeditiously dispose of these LSTLVs, in accordance with the ICCAT and IOTC resolutions. Japan talked with Vanuatu and Seychelles, major flag states of the remaining Taiwanese FOC/IUU LSTLVs, and reached an agreement in 2003 with them to put these LSTLVs under strict control. A total of 69 FOC-LSTLVs committed themselves to comply with the following cooperative management schemes (Attachment 1 and 2);

- (i) Arrangement for the legalization of FOC-LSTLVs was established between the fishing authorities of the two flag states (Vanuatu and the Seychelles) and Japan, and vessels participating in the scheme must be subject to strict joint monitoring and control measures including monitoring vessels by VMS, periodical catch reporting at sea and at ports, prior authorization of transshipment or landing at foreign ports, and validation of reported catch with Japanese import data. These vessels are also required to comply with all the conservation and management measures of the relevant RFMOs.
- (ii) All of the participating LSTLV owners must obtain Japan's fishing licenses for LSTLVs and freeze those licenses so as to reinforce and complement the cooperative management scheme mentioned above (i) as well as to prevent an increase of overall fishing capacity, and,
- (iii) Those LSTLVs are authorized to fish only in an area where and for species for which their fishing operations will not pose a problem, in light of regulatory measures and resolutions adopted by the relevant RFMOs. Specifically, 21 Seychelles flag LSTLVs may catch yellowfin and bigeye tunas in the Indian Ocean only, whereas 48 Vanuatu flag LSTLVs may fish for albacore in the water around Vanuatu in the Pacific Ocean. (Within which 5 Vanuatu flag LSTLVs are exceptionally also allowed to target yellowfin and bigeye tunas in the Pacific) .

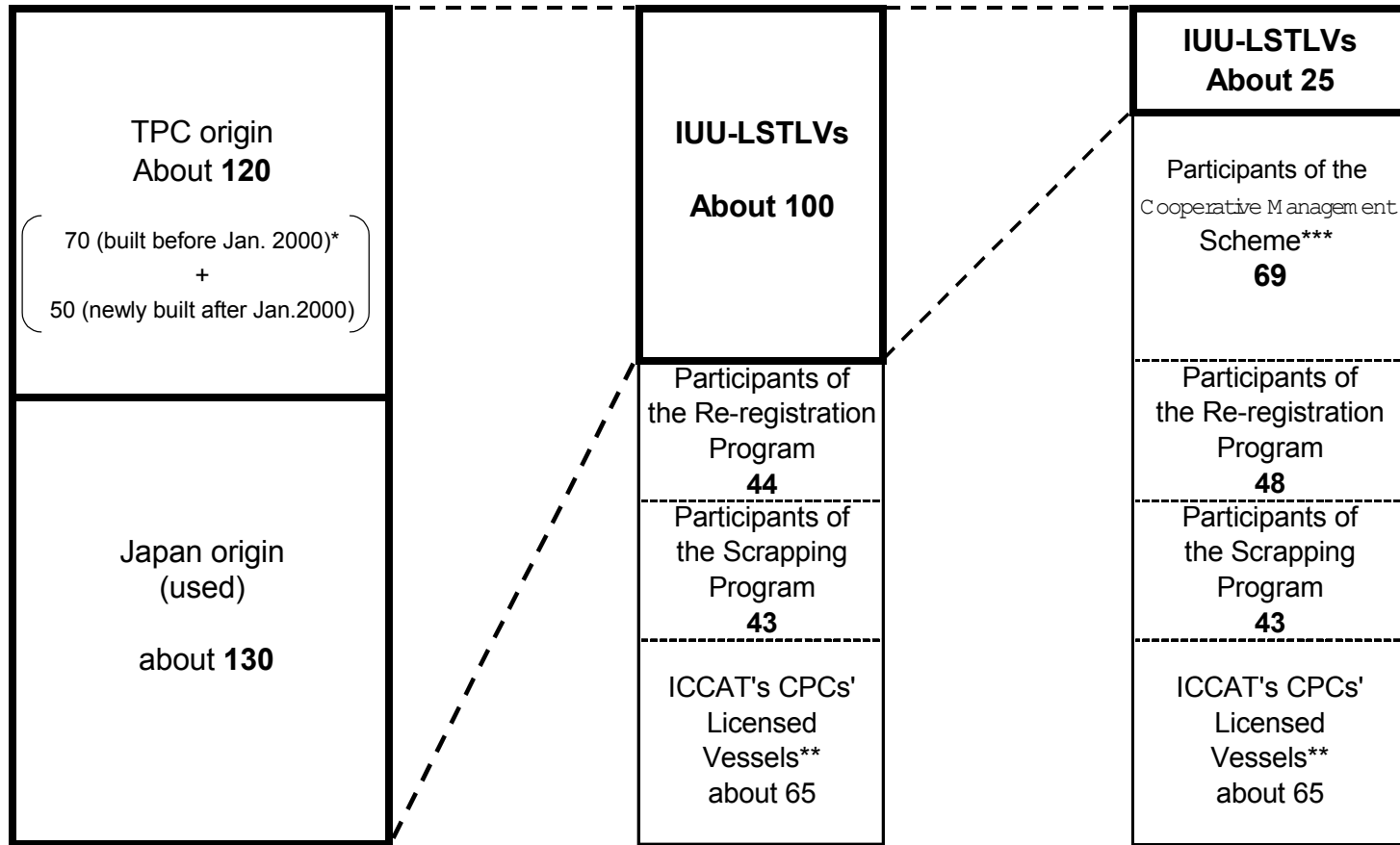
Attachment 2 Participants of Cooperative Management Framework

<SEYCHELLES>					
No.	Name of vessel		Built year	GRT	LOA
1	SHIN YOU	□□	2000	498	55.75
2	CHUN I 326	□□326	2001	625	59.2
3	CHUNG YING 323	□□323	2001	699	58.7
4	JAIN YUNG 262	□□262	2000	497	48.7
5	ASHUNEYU	□□	2001	625	51.5
6	SHUENN YING 232	□□232	2001	699	51.9
7	PING SHIN 201	□□201	1996	706	50
8	PANOCEAN	□□	1998	525	44.8
9	TORNG TAY 1	□□1	2002	490	55.9
10	ISABEL 111	□□□111	2000	625	50.8
11	JAIN YUNG 202	□□202	1997	599	48.6
12	JIING HORNG 106 (APOLO 1)	□□106	1989	450	53.15
13	HSIN HUA 103	□□103	1998	598	55.75
14	HSIANG FA 18	□□18	1997	598	48.6
15	HSIANG FA 26	□□26	1997	598	48.6
16	DONG YIH 1	□□1	1999	493	49.68
17	DONG YIH 666	□□666	2000	520	48.6
18	DONG YIH 688	□□688	1997	493	48.8
19	FU SHEN 1	□□1	2001	493	56.18
20	SHUENN MAN 232	□□232	2000	493	49.68
21	EVER GOLD 1	□□1	2000	498	55.1
<VANUATU>					
No.	Name of vessel		Built year	GRT	LOA
1	FORTUNA 1	□□1	1995	499	53.45
2	FORTUNA 11	□□11	1996	499	53.45
3	FORTUNA 12	□□12	1996	499	53.45
4	FORTUNA 2	□□□	1995	499	53.45
5	FORTUNA 21	□□21	1996	499	53.45
6	FORTUNA 22	□□22	1996	499	53.45
7	TUNAGO 31	□□□□	2000	530	53.45
8	TUNAGO 32	□□32	2000	530	53.45
9	TUNAGO 51	□□51	2000	499	53.45
10	TUNAGO 52	□□52	2000	499	53.45
11	TUNAGO 61	□□61	2001	499	53.45
12	TUNAGO 62	□□62	2001	499	53.45
13	SHENG PAO 31	□□31	1999	576	46.55
14	SHENG PAO 37	□□37	2001	576	
15	HENG CHANG 168	□□168	2001	637	57.06
16	HENG FA 168	□□168	2001	637	57.06

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17	FONG KUO 16	□□16	1997	521	48.7
18	FONG KUO 3	□□3	1997	521	48.7
19	FONG KUO 33	□□33	1998	521	48.7
20	FONG KUO 6	□□6	1997	521	48.7
21	CHIN CHUN 12	□□12		637	
22	FU CHUN 126	□□126		637	
23	HSIANG SHUN	□□		558	
24	KIN SHUN AN 6	□□□6		637	
25	MING SHUN 6	□□6	2001	660	
26	MITRA 888	□□888	2002	638	
27	PACIFIC TRACKER 116	□□116	2001	327.75	
28	CHANG JAAN 1	□□1	1998	470	
29	CHUN YING 212	□□212	1998	598	48.6
30	CHUN YING 777	□□777	1997	498	46.5
31	LONG BOW 1	□□□1			
32	LONG BOW 36	□□□36			
33	NINE LUCKY 6	□□6	1998	508	48.7
34	SHINN MANN 11	□□11	1997	470	45.6
35	SHINN MANN 21	□□21	1998	683	50.8
36	SHUENN MAN 666	□□666	1998	498	55.1
37	TO CHAN 2 (YUAN SHIN 16)	□□2 (□□16)	2002	492	44.99
38	JIN HONG 308	□□308	2001	625	50.8
39	JUPITER 1	□□1	2001	699	58.7
40	Chun I 307	□□307	1998	625	59.2
41	Chun I 316	□□316	1998	625	59.2
42	Chun I 318	□□318	2000	625	50.8
43	JUI DER 36 (JUI DER 66)	□□36 (□□66)	2001	498	46.77
44	HAI SHIN		1987	598	44
45	MORE RICH	□□	2001	620	
46	SHIN KAI 6	□□6	1998	555	46.75
47	SUNG HUI	□□	1997	598	48.6
48	OCEAN HARVEST	□□□	2001	490	55.9

Attachment 2 Transition of the numbers of IUU large-scale tuna longline vessels



Note * Japan-TPC Joint Action Program to Eliminate IUU Vessels concluded in January 2000.

** CPCs means "Contracting Parties" and "Cooperative non-Contracting Parties, Entities or Fishing Entities".

*** Cooperative Management Schemes between Japan and Seychells/Vanuatu were agreed in July 2003.