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# PERMANENT WORKING GROUP ON TUNA TRACKING 9<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

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## TECHNICAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE SYSTEM FOR TUNA TRACKING AND VERIFICATION

#### COLLECTION OF DATA BY OBSERVERS OUTSIDE THE AGREEMENT AREA

Following is a proposal for a new paragraph 4 *bis*, to be added to Section 3 of the AIDCP System for Tracking and Verifying Tuna:

"If a Party determines that tuna caught outside the Agreement Area by all vessels under its jurisdiction which fish both inside and outside the Agreement Area during a single trip should be recorded on a TTF by the observer on board these vessels, and so notifies the Secretariat in a timely manner, such tuna shall be recorded on the TTFs for all the vessels of such Parties until such time as the Secretariat is otherwise notified. If the Secretariat is not notified that all catches shall be recorded on the TTFs, observers shall not record on the TTFs any tuna caught by vessels outside the Agreement Area.

Unless all the tuna caught by a vessel which fishes both inside and outside the Agreement Area during a single trip is recorded on the TTFs, the TTFs for that trip shall not reflect that the tuna in any of the vessel's wells is *dolphin safe*, except when wells containing tuna caught outside the Agreement Area are sealed. In such cases, the observer shall note on the TTFs which wells have been sealed, and the tuna in such wells shall not be considered *dolphin safe*."