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Subject: Annual report on C-11-02 to mitigate the impact on seabirds

In accordance with resolution C-11-02, CPCs shall annually inform the IATTC of the mitigation measures that their flag vessels plan to employ in the implementation of this resolution, and shall provide annually to the IATTC any available information regarding interactions with seabirds involving their flag vessels in the fishery.

Mitigation Measures

Same as WCPFC, we require our longliners to use Tori line and Weighted branch lines when fishing in the area specified in C-11-02 Annex 1.

Interactions with Seabirds

Fifteen observers were sent to our longline vessels operating in EPO in 2022. According to our observer report, there was one seabird (Light-mantled sooty albatross) incidentally captured during 2022. The seabird was alive and released cautiously. The observed interaction occurred on November 22, 2022 at 19°44′S, 125°10′W.

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