

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

99TH MEETING (EXTRAORDINARY)

Phoenix Arizona
01 August 2022

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The 99th meeting (extraordinary) of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) was held in Phoenix, Arizona (USA) on 1 August 2022. The attendees are listed in Appendix 1.

1. Opening of the meeting

Mr. Alfonso Miranda, of Peru, in his capacity as Chair of the IATTC, opened the 99th meeting (extraordinary) of the IATTC, after which the existence of the quorum necessary to proceed was formally confirmed. All Members of the Commission were present, excepting Kiribati whose delegation could not make the necessary arrangements to travel to Phoenix in time for the meeting.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was approved without changes. The United States raised the issue of the right to participate in the selection process of the Director and referred to the situation of the two Members present, Venezuela and Panama, in arrears to their contributions to the IATTC budget for more than 24 months. The United States submitted a proposal of a resolution on the application of Article XV, paragraph 4 of the Antigua Convention, in order to allow for the participation of these two members. The Commission adopted that resolution ([see Annex 2a](#)) and agreed that this arrangement would apply only to the current meeting and would not constitute a precedent.

3. Implementation of Article XII, paragraph 1, of the Antigua Convention

Immediately after the adoption of the agenda, the plenary was suspended and a closed Meeting of Heads of Delegation was held to carry out the process established in Resolution C-14-07 *Procedures for the Implementation of Article XII, paragraph 1, of the Antigua Convention*, first, the interview of the three shortlisted candidates to the position of Director and, second, the selection of one of them through secret ballot.

The plenary was then resumed, the Chair of the Commission reported the result of the selection process by the Meeting of Heads of Delegation and the Commission confirmed this result and appointed Dr. Arnulfo Franco

(Panama) as Director of the Commission, for a term of four years from the date of his reporting to the IATTC headquarters for taking office. This decision was formalized in an Administrative Provision that the Commission adopted (see Annex 2b).

4. Closure

The meeting was adjourned at 11 AM,