

AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM

**12<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE PARTIES**

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**DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE TERMS OF  
REFERENCE OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP ON FISHING BY NON-  
PARTIES**

At its meeting in June 2004, the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) adopted Resolution C-04-01 on the Amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Joint Working Group on Fishing by Non-Parties, with the proviso that it would not enter into force until the Parties to the AIDCP had approved these amendments to the Terms of Reference. The text of that resolution is presented to this Meeting of the Parties for discussion and eventual adoption.

*The Parties to the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP):*

*Recognizing* that tuna fisheries are now a global phenomenon, and that fishing vessels can migrate between oceans to prosecute such fisheries;

*Further recognizing* that there is a growing phenomenon of fishing vessels moving between different oceans to escape action against Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported (IUU) fishing activities taken by other regional fisheries organizations;

*agree to amend the Terms of Reference for the Joint Working Group on Fishing by Non-Parties as follows:*

The following new sub-paragraph “e” be inserted after the existing sub-paragraph “d” in section 2, *Functions*:

“e. when reviewing and monitoring the compliance of a non-party and determining whether it has fulfilled the requirements to obtain the status of Co-operating Non-Party, Entity or Fishing Entity, the Joint Working Group shall also take into account the activities of these non-parties as co-operating non-parties or non-parties in other oceans which have regional fisheries organizations that regulate the conservation and management of highly migratory fish stocks under their competence.”

The following sub-paragraphs remain as currently drafted, with the appropriate changes in identification.

This resolution shall enter into force upon its adoption.