

INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM
WORKING GROUP TO PROMOTE AND PUBLICIZE THE
AIDCP DOLPHIN SAFE TUNA CERTIFICATION SYSTEM

32ND MEETINGS

(by videoconference)

16 August 2021

REPORT OF THE MEETING

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* Including the adoption of *ad hoc* rules and arrangements for the 42nd meeting only.

The 32nd meeting of the Working Group to Promote and Publicize the AIDCP Dolphin-Safe Tuna Certification System was held by videoconference on 16 August 2021. The list of attendees can be found in Appendix 1.

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by Mr. Bernal Chavarría, of El Salvador, Chair of the Working Group. The meeting was informed about, and approved, the set of *ad hoc* rules and arrangements for the 32nd meeting to be held by videoconference.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The provisional agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Actions to promote AIDCP dolphin safe tuna

Mexico proposed the development of surveys and seminars related to the AIDCP Dolphin Safe Tuna Certification System using the surplus of the program. The United States expressed that, without prejudging the analyses regarding the execution of the budget that corresponds to the Meeting of the Parties, it would agree to develop studies and seminars where the scientific work carried out within the framework of the AIDCP could be discussed and presented, emphasizing that, as they have expressed on other occasions, they do not agree with the use of the funds of the program for actions to promote AIDCP dolphin-safe labeling, which the Parties should promote with their own resources. Colombia expressed its support for Mexico's proposal, on the condition that the elements of the proposal be further analyzed at the Meeting of the Parties with regard to the availability and implementation of the program's budget. After substantial exchange of opinions, in recognition of the importance of promoting the scientific knowledge of the work carried out by the program, the Group agreed to issue a recommendation to the Meeting of the Parties considering that studies and seminars

could be developed to promote the work, progress and development of scientific activities that are carried out within the framework of the AIDCP, all this considering the availability of resources in the program.

4. Recommendations to the Meeting of the Parties

The Group agreed to issue the following recommendation:

Subject to the availability of the AIDCP budget, develop studies and seminars to promote the work, progress and development of scientific activities that are executed within the framework of the AIDCP.

5. Date and place of next meeting

The next meeting of the Working Group will be held on the dates that are agreed for the meetings of the AIDCP in October 2021.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 on 16 August 2021.