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**ON ESTABLISHING A LOGBOOK ON AT-SEA DISCHARGE OF NON  
DEGRADABLE WASTE AND WASTE WATERS FOR VESSELS OF MORE  
THAN TWENTY-FOUR METERS**

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**Background:**

This proposal comes in response to the requirements regarding conservation of marine fauna and flora. The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978 ("MARPOL") aims at regulating pollution by hydrocarbons, chemicals, wrappings, garbage, waste water and ship exhausts.

Several international agreements are also addressing the issue of policies regarding waste at sea, notably the 1972 London and 1989 Bale Conventions. Marine pollution is also an important topic of UNDP (United Nations Development Programme) programmes.

**Content:**

The resolution proposal seeks to enforce the use of a logbook on at-sea discharge of non degradable waste and waste waters for vessels of more than twenty-four meters.

**The Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC),**

NOTING the mortality risk for turtles, seabirds and marine mammals related to non degradable waste in the oceans;

NOTING the degradation risk for marine flora related to non degradable waste in the oceans;

CONSIDERING the at-sea discharge of non degradable waste;

ADOPTS, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article IX of the IOTC Agreement, that

1. Contracting and Cooperating non contracting Parties (CPCs) shall ensure that, on all vessels longer than 24m, a logbook on at-sea discharge of non degradable waste and waste waters is maintained, under the responsibility of the Captain.
2. The following information will be included, according to the template presented in appendix.
  - Date
  - Location (latitude/longitude)
  - Time (UT)
  - Depth
  - Type of waste discharged
  - Quantities
  - An estimation of the number of seabirds around the ship, within a 100m distance.

