

## Report of Implementation

Reporting CPC: China

Date: 23/Feb/10

**Part 1 A.** *Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, in the previous year to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission at the last Session.*

Resolution 09/01 *On the performance review follow-up* China, a responsible fishing nation, has implemented National Fisheries Act for effective management on Chinese distant water fishery fleet for conservation of pelagic fishery stocks. With respect to the list of recommendations arising from the Performance Review Panel, these recommendations are also the objectives of China National Fishery Act. China will make great effort to cooperate with other members of IOTC on conservation and management of pelagic fish stocks.

Resolution 09/02 *On the implementation of a limitation of fishing capacity of Contracting Parties and Cooperating non-Contracting Parties* Chinese government has frozen its large-scale fishing vessels for tropical tunas, albacore and swordfish in accordance with the Resolution adopted by the Commission.

Resolution 09/03 *On establishing a list of vessels presumed to have carried out illegal, unregulated and unreported fishing in the IOTC area* According to China National Fisheries Act, Chinese fishing vessels are prohibited from illegal, unregulated and unreported fishing activities. Vessels flying Chinese flag are subject to severe punishment if found to have carried out IUU activities.

Resolution 09/04 *On a Regional observer scheme* For the purpose of this Resolution, at least 5% of the number of operations shall be covered by observer scheme. China has implemented the observer programme from Mar. 2008 to Apr. 2009. In 2008, three observers have been dispatched on board the tuna longliners operating in the IOTC water covering the area of 15°00'S ~ 32°00'S and 60°00'E ~ 80°00'E. During March to May, 2008, one observer worked on board fresh tuna longliner with monitoring areas covering 19°35'S ~ 32°01'S, 58°25'E ~ 75°52'E. During the mission, the fishing boat has deployed 99200 hooks with 45 sets and caught 24823 kg of Albacore (1454 individuals), 1032kg (74 individuals) of bigeye tuna, 1133kg (49 individuals) of yellowfin tuna and 4897kg (82 individual) of blue sharks. In Sept 2008, two observers were dispatched on board the deep freezing longliner which undertook albacore resource survey in the southern Indian Ocean, the two observers worked on board the fishing boat for about eight months ( Sept. 2008 – April 2009) and recorded 460 individuals of bigeye tuna and 183 individuals of albacore in the area of 12°00'S ~ 32°01'S, 69°00'E ~ 78°12'E. In April, 2009, a joint seminar on observer was organized by Shanghai Ocean University and NOAA Pacific Island Fisheries Science Center. This seminar has facilitated the Chinese tuna observer program for data collection.

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Resolution 09/05 *To prohibit the use of large-scale driftnets on the high seas in the IOTC area of competence* China has prohibited fishing vessels from using large-scale driftnets while on the high seas of three Oceans including IOTC Area.

Resolution 09/06 *On marine turtles* China has collected data on longline vessels' interactions with marine turtles through logbook and scientific observer programme. All Chinese longline fishing vessels are required to carry de-hookers, dip-nets and line cutters to facilitate appropriate handling and prompt release of marine turtles caught or entangled.

**Part 1 B.** *Describe the actions taken, under national legislation, to implement conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission in previous Sessions, and which have not been reported previously.*

N/A

**Part 2.** In order to assist the Secretariat to prepare more accurate reports for the Compliance Committee, CPCs are invited to complete the following form and submit it together with Part 1 of this document.

| Application         | Subject (Resolution number)   | Information to be provided by CPCs   |
|---------------------|---|--|
| Flag State Controls | Authorised Vessels (07/02)  | Number of vessels on the Record of Authorised Vessels 81   |
|                     | Active Vessels (07/04)  | Number of vessels active in the previous year 67   |
|                     |   | Active vessels list provided to the Secretariat Yes  |
|                     | Control of domestic vessels (01/02)   | Number of inspections of flag vessels: At sea 0 In port 81   |
|                     |   | Number of vessels issued with logbooks 76  |
|                     |   | • Types of logbook: Paper type (bound) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electronic <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                     |   | Number of vessels marked 81  |
|                     | Control of domestic vessels (01/02)   | Number of vessels whose fishing gears are marked 76  |
|                     |   |  |
|                     | Vessel Monitoring System (06/03)  | Number of authorised vessels fitted with VMS transceiver/transponder 81  |
|                     | Transshipment (08/02)   | Number of carrier vessels authorised 45  |
|                     |   | Number of authorisations issued for: Transshipments at sea 53 Transshipments in port 23                        |
|                     |   | Report on the quantities of fish, by species, transhipped at sea has been provided to the Secretariat Yes      |
|                     |   | List of vessels that have transhipped has been provided to the Secretariat Yes                                 |
|                     |   | Assessments of Observer reports have been provided to the Secretariat Yes                                      |
| Compliance of flag  | Number of cases brought against vessels for undermining IOTC conservation and management measures 0 |  |

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|             | vessels (06/01; 09/03)  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of cases reported to the Secretariat 0</li> </ul>  |
|             | Scientific Data (08/01)   | Information for active vessels has been provided to the Secretariat in relation to:<br>Nominal catch data Yes   Catch and effort data Yes   Size data Yes                                    |
|             | Bigeye tuna Statistical Document Programme – flag State (01/06; 03/03)      | Number of bigeye tuna export documents validated 124   |
|             |   | Number of institutions authorised to validate bigeye tuna statistical documents 1  |
|             |   | Number of officials authorised to validate bigeye tuna statistical documents 3   |
|             |   | Number of validated bigeye tuna export documents, which have been received from importing State(s) 0   |
|             | Bigeye tuna Statistical Document Programme – importing State (01/06; 03/03) | Quantities of bigeye tuna imported 3150565kg   |
|             |   | Number of valid bigeye tuna statistical documents received 0   |
|             |   | Number of invalid bigeye tuna statistical documents received 0   |
|             |   | Number of bigeye tuna statistical documents exchanged with flag State(s) 0   |
|             | By-catch and interactions with other species (05/05; 08/03)                 | Information has been provided to the Secretariat and Scientific Committee on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bycatch of Sharks Yes</li> <li>Interactions with Seabirds No</li> </ul> |
|             |   | Information has been provided to the Secretariat and Scientific Committee on the implementation of bycatch mitigation devices:<br>For seabirds Yes   For sharks Yes                          |
|             |   | Has provided the Scientific Committee with information on research work undertaken to mitigate the   |

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|                            |   | adverse effects of fishing activities on: Seabirds No    Sharks No   |
| Port State controls        | Programme of inspection in port (05/03) | Number of foreign vessels calling into your port(s) 0  |
|                            |   | Number of foreign vessels inspected 0  |
|                            |   | Number of cases involving foreign vessels found to have undermined IOTC conservation and management measures 0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of cases reported to the flag State 0</li> <li>• Number of cases reported to the Secretariat 0</li> </ul>                                   |
| Coastal State controls     | Foreign vessels licensed (07/04)        | Number of foreign vessels licensed 0   |
|                            |   | Number of foreign vessels that have been refused a licence 0   |
|                            |   | Information on licensed foreign vessels has been reported to the Secretariat N/A   |
| Responsibility of all CPCs | Control of nationals (07/01)            | Number of cases detected where natural or legal persons have engaged in activities that undermine IOTC conservation and management measures 0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of cases where actions have been taken 0</li> <li>• Number of cases reported to the Secretariat 0</li> </ul> |