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Dear Sir/Madam

REMINDER OF THE OBLIGATIONS UNDER IOTC RESOLUTION 17/07 ON THE PROHIBITION TO USE LARGE-SCALE DRIFTNETS IN THE IOTC AREA

This is a reminder of the obligations CPCs have under IOTC Resolution 17/07 *On the prohibition to use large-scale driftnets in the IOTC Area*.

For the purposes of monitoring the implementation of this Resolution, CPCs must notify the Secretariat of any CPC-flagged vessel using large-scale driftnets in their exclusive economic zones (EEZs) before 31 December 2020.

A template to facilitate the reporting of the list of flagged vessels using large-scale driftnets in the EEZs can be downloaded [HERE](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact the IOTC Secretariat at IOTC-Secretariat@fao.org should you require any additional information concerning the above.

Yours sincerely



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Attachment:

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