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Dear Sir/Madam

PROVISIONAL AGENDAS FOR THE 18TH SESSIONS OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE AND THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Compliance Committee (CoC18)

The Provisional Agenda for the 18th Session of the Compliance Committee, which will be held from 30 May - 1 to 3 June 2021 is now available [Click here]. Electronic versions of other meeting documents will be published on the CoC18 webpage as they become available.

With a videoconference meeting format (reduced time) looking increasingly likely, the Chairperson of the Compliance Committee is proposing an alternative approach to the meeting in 2021. Instead of the usual approach whereby the Committee reviews each CPCs Compliance Report, in parallel with other concerned mandatory reports (e.g. Implementation reports and Compliance Questionnaire), the proposed approach is to review a Secretariat's report which will summarise selected Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs) with compliance rates below those of the Commission's average compliance rate of the CoC17 (2020). For each of the CMMs reviewed, the Chairperson will allow time for interested CPCs to provide comments and questions on their own or other CPCs Compliance Reports. In addition, in an effort to be more effective with the limited time available, CPCs are invited to submit such comments and questions to the Chairperson of the Compliance Committee, via the IOTC Secretariat (IOTC-Secretariat@fao.org), by the latest, a week in advance of the start of CoC18 (by 23 May).

CPCs will also be allowed time to intervene on other CMMs not directly addressed in the Secretariat's report.

Members are invited to send their comments on, or any proposal of items to be included in the Provisional Agenda, no later than 25 April, so that a revised Provisional Agenda can be circulated not less than 30 days before the Session.

Standing Committee on Administration and Finance (SCAF18)

The Provisional Agenda for the 18th Session of the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance, which will be held on 2 and 3 June 2021 is now available [Click here]. Electronic versions of other meeting documents will be published on the SCAF18 webpage as they become available.

Members are invited to send their comments on the Provisional Agenda, no later than 2 May, so that a revised Provisional Agenda can be circulated not less than 30 days before the Session.

Yours sincerely

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