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Dear Madam / Sir

POSTPONEMENT OF THE MEETING OF THE WORKING PARTY ON TEMPERATE TUNAS(DP)

Following consultations between the IOTC Scientific Committee Chair and the Chairs of the Working Party on Working Party on Temperate Tunas (WPTmT) a decision has been taken to postpone the WPTmT08 data preparatory meeting (scheduled for 8-10 November 2021) until early 2022.

A change in date is being made to enable the WPTmT (DP) to consider the latest available information in preparation for the assessment meeting scheduled to be held in July 2022. This information includes:

- The latest catch data for longline fisheries which are submitted in December each year.
- The revised joint CPUE for longline fisheries which will not be ready by November 2021.

It is envisaged that the WPTmT (DP) meeting will be held in early 2022 at a date that will be notified by the Scientific Committee after its 24th Session in December 2021.

Yours sincerely

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