REPORT FROM THE CCSBT OBSERVER (TAIWAN) ON THE 102nd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

1. The 102nd annual meeting of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) was held from August 27 to September 6, 2024. All Members and Cooperating Non-Members attended the meeting. Several international governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations were also represented.

Cooperation between IATTC and CCSBT

2. No matter related to cooperation between IATTC and CCSBT was discussed in the meeting.

Adopted Resolutions

The following are the Resolutions adopted by the IATTC at its 102^{nd} annual meeting this year.

- 3. Conservation measures for tropical tunas in the eastern pacific ocean during 2025-2026
- 4. Amendment to resolution C-99-07 on fish- aggregating devices
- 5. Resolution (amended) on a regional vessel register
- 6. Proposal on a resolution on monitoring and control measures for the bluefin tuna fishery in the EPO
- 7. Measures for the conservation and management of pacific bluefin tuna in the eastern pacific ocean
- 8. Resolution C-24-XX (amendment to C-23-07) conservation measures for the protection and sustainable management of sharks
- 9. South pacific albacore tuna; by 2026, the IATTC shall adopt a provisional target reference point for south pacific albacore that is compatible with the WCPFC.
- 10. Creation of an *ad hoc* working group to strengthen the dialogue among scientists, managers and other stakeholders on management strategy evaluation
- 11. Proposed amendment to resolution C-23-10 on climate change
- 12. Interim minimum standards

Other Issues Discussed

13. Proposed marine pollution management

Canada submitted a proposal for marine pollution management, noting that the IATTC currently has no relevant regulations. However, the proposal did not reach consensus due to opposition from the United States.

14. Proposed labor standards

The United States proposed crew labor standards, primarily focusing on issues such as forced labor of crew and workplace safety. However, the proposal did not reach consensus due to opposition from China. China also indicated that it might change its position next year, but at least for this year, it will oppose the proposal

Place and date of next meeting

15. The Commission has yet to discuss and decide the time and location for the next annual meeting.