Proposal Submitted by FFA Members

The Commission For The Conservation And Management Of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks In The Western And Central Pacific Ocean

Resolves as follows:

1. Commission Members, Cooperating Non-Members, and participating Territories (called CCMs) shall, as appropriate, implement the International Plan of Action for Reducing Incidental Catches of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries (IPOA-Seabirds) if they have not already done so.

2. CCMs shall advise the Commission on their implementation of the IPOA-Seabirds, including, as appropriate, the status of their National Plans of Action for Reducing Incidental Catches of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries.

3. CCMs shall provide the Commission with all available information on interactions with seabirds, including incidental catches in all fisheries to which the WCPF Convention applies.

4. The Scientific Committee should take the steps necessary to ensure comprehensive recording and monitoring of seabird interactions in the Convention area; the Technical and Compliance Committee shall monitor the progress of members in compliance with this resolution and report to the Commission, and develop relevant compliance strategies for the further consideration of the Commission.