**Supplementary Material**

**Bycatch in Drift Gillnet Fisheries: a sink for Indian Ocean cetaceans**

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**Table S1. Overview of relevant Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs) to cetacean bycatch in gillnets and their application to artisanal versus other vessels.**

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| **IOTC CMM** | **Fishing on high seas (any vessel length)** | **>24 m in EEZ**  | **<24 m in EEZ (artisanal)** |
| Resolution 22/04, “On a Regional Observer Scheme” | Applies | Exempt | Exempt |
| Resolution 23/06, “On the Conservation of Cetaceans” | Applies | Applies | Exempt |
| Resolution 15/03, “On the Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) Programme” | Applies | Applies | Exempt |
| Resolution 19/04, “Concerning the IOTC Record of Vessels Authorised to Operate in the IOTC area of Competence” | Applies | Applies | Exempt |
| Resolution 17/07, “On the prohibition to use large-scale driftnets in the IOTC area” | Applies | Applies | Exempt |
| Resolution 21/01, “On an Interim Plan for Rebuilding the Indian Ocean Yellowfin Tuna Stock in the IOTC Area of Competence” | Applies | Applies | Applies |
| Resolution 15/01, “On the Recording of Catch and Effort Data by Fishing Vessels in the IOTC Area of Competence” | Applies | Applies | Exempt[[1]](#footnote-1) |
| Resolution 15/02, “Mandatory Statistical Reporting Requirements for IOTC Contracting Parties and Cooperating Non-contracting Parties (CPCs)” | Applies | Applies | Applies |

1. Note, paragraph 11 of 15/01 calls for developing Members with vessels less than 24 m LOA operating inside the EEZ to progressively implement this measure from 1 July 2016. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)