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IMPLEMENTATION OF GFCM DECISIONS BY THE MEMBERS

INTRODUCTION

1. This document summarizes the information provided by Members on the implementation of GFCM decisions, in accordance with Resolution GFCM/2008/1. It is recalled that the Compliance Committee (COC) was established in 2006 with the mandate to address issues such as reviewing compliance with conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission and to make recommendations to the Commission, as may be necessary, to ensure their effectiveness. The identification of measures to be taken when recommendations are not implemented also falls within the remit of the Committee.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARIAT

2. The status of submission of data and information is summarised below:

Recommendation GFCM/2005/2 concerning the establishment of a GFCM record of vessels over 15 metres authorized to operate in the GFCM area

3. The GFCM record of vessels over 15 metres authorised to operate in the GFCM area currently includes 10,160 vessels from nineteen countries. The quality of data received from countries varies and the reported authorized fishing period for more than half of the vessels has either expired or is not reported. In general, Members used the electronic data communication tool to validate and submit data in a standard format. Submission dates are included in Annex A and statistics on data coverage and quality, together with profiles of the fleet currently included in the GFCM record are given in document COC/3/2009/3.

4. As requested by the CoC during its 2nd Session¹ and in compliance with article 4 of Recommendation GFCM/2005/2, the development of the first version of the web-based Authorised Vessels List (AVL) browser (beta version) was completed and made available on the GFCM website.

¹ Report of the 2nd session (paragraphs 18 and 20)

Restricted data is only available for registered users, namely Heads of Delegation and designated national authorities, to which a username and password have been assigned.

5. It should be recalled that Members are responsible for keeping the information up-to-date by notifying the Secretariat of any addition to, any deletion from and/or any modification of the GFCM record. Contracting Parties are invited to consult their respective national status report included in the AVL browser to check on the condition of their authorized vessels list and the completeness of related data.

Recommendation GFCM/31/2006/4 on the establishment of a list of vessels presumed to have carried out illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing activities in the GFCM area

6. There were no reports received by the Secretariat during the intersessional period on vessels presumed to have carried out Illegal, Unreported or Unregulated (IUU) fishing activities in the GFCM area.

Recommendation GFCM/2008/1 on a Regional Scheme on Port State Measures to Combat Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing in the GFCM Area

7. In line with Articles 10 and 11 of Recommendation GFCM/2008/1, two Members (as at 29th January 2009), Lebanon and Malta, have notified the Secretariat about their list of designated national ports to which foreign vessels may be permitted access. The GFCM Secretariat has included the information received into the Regional Ports Register in line with Article 12 of this Recommendation.

Recommendation GFCM/2006/2 – on the establishment of a closed season for the dolphinfish fisheries based on fishing aggregation devices (FADs)

8. With a view for SAC to analyse, for the first time in 2010, the impact of this measure on dolphin-fish stocks and to suggest possible modifications, if any, to the closure or propose additional management measures, Members are expected to submit an annual report on the implementation of the management and monitoring measures specified in Articles 1, 2 and 3 of this Recommendation. Since 2007, a standard Annual Reporting Form has been made available on the GFCM website. As at 2nd March 2009, only Spain submitted an annual report for the reference year 2008 (see Annex B).

Resolution GFCM/31/2007/1 on the implementation of GFCM Task 1 Statistical Matrix

9. As at 2nd March 2009, thirteen Members have submitted data in connection with Task 1.1 (capacity by Fleet Segment), whilst eleven members have submitted Task 1.2 data (fishing activity descriptors and resources exploited by Operational Units), in line with paragraph 2 of Resolution GFCM/31/2007/1. Some Members have also reported some information pertaining to Task 1.3 and Task 1.4. All countries used the specific Electronic Data Entry and Communication Tools available on the GFCM website. The data submission status by country together with a summary of the information received, by Fleet Segment and Operational Unit for each GFCM Geographical Sub-Area (GSA), is provided in the GFCM Task1 Statistical Bulletin (document GFCM/33/2009/Dma4).

SUMMARY OF THE REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARIAT

10. As at 2nd March 2009, four reports (using the adopted standard reporting format) on the implementation of GFCM measures were received by the Secretariat and are included in Annex C in their original language. The information submitted to the previous session (second) of CoC is included in Annex D for ease of reference.

11. Montenegro informed the Secretariat that a new national law on marine fisheries and mariculture is presently before its Parliament for adoption and that subsequently subsidiary legislation will be drawn up to include GFCM measures.

12. A summary of the information received for the reference year 2008 is given in the table below:

Reference of GFCM Measure	Country	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
Recommendation GFCM/2005/1 on the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and deepwater species.	Algeria	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Morocco	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy - National law	- Various EC and national regulations	- Full implementation	-----
	Turkey	- National fisheries management regime	- Various national regulations	-----	-----
Recommendation GFCM/2005/2 concerning the establishment of GFCM record of vessels over 15 meters authorized to operate in the GFCM area	Algeria	-----	-----	- enhancement of statistical system - record of vessels submitted	- further technical assistance required
	Morocco	-----	-----	- record of vessels submitted	- vessels are licensed from 1 st January to 31 st December each year
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy	- Various EC regulations	- Record of vessels submitted by European Commission	-----
	Turkey	- National Fisheries Information System	-----	- record of vessels submitted	-----

Reference of GFCM Measure	Country	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
Recommendation GFCM/2006/1 concerning the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and small pelagic species	Algeria	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Morocco	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy - National law	- Various EC and national regulations	- Several relevant management measures and monitoring schemes are in place	-----
	Turkey	-----	-----	-----	-----
Recommendation GFCM/2006/2 concerning the establishment of a closed season for the Dolphin fish fisheries using fish aggregation devices (FADs)	Algeria	-----	-----	- dolphin fish fishery is not developed	-----
	Morocco	-----	-----	- no dolphin fishery	-----
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy - National law	- EC and national regulations	- Dolphin fish fishery around the Balearic Islands is regulated [using FADs ?]	-----
	Turkey	-----	- National regulation	- No specific fishery for dolphin fish	-----

Reference of GFCM Measure	Country	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
Recommendation GFCM/2006/3 on the establishment of fisheries restricted areas in order to protect the deep sea sensitive habitats	Algeria	-----	-----	-----	- technical assistance from FAO required
	Morocco	-----	-----	- present FRAs do not fall within Morocco's jurisdiction	- no objection to the creation of FRAs
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy	- EC regulations	-----	-----
	Turkey	-----	-----	- No deep sea FRA has been established within Turkish jurisdiction	-----
Recommendation GFCM/2006/4 on the establishment of a list of vessels presumed to have carried out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing activities in the GFCM area	Algeria	-----	-----	- no IUU vessels identified	-----
	Morocco	-----	-----	- no IUU vessels identified	- no list available
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy	- EC regulation	- EC regulation shall apply from 1 st January 2010	- Preparing to fulfil requirements of EC regulation
	Turkey	-----	-----	- no IUU vessels identified	-----

Reference of GFCM Measure	Country	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
Recommendation GFCM/2007/1 on the mesh size of trawl nets exploiting demersal resources	Algeria	-----	- national law on fisheries and aquaculture	- recommendation followed through national regulations	-----
	Morocco	-----	-----	- logistical and financial means required to introduce the 40mm mesh	- this measure cannot be introduced immediately - further studies required
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy - National law	- EC and national regulations	- Minimum of 40mm [square or diamond ?] for demersal trawl gears applied	- no demersal trawl fishery using a mesh size less than 40mm
	Turkey	-----	- National regulation	- No derogation granted to any vessel	-----
Resolution GFCM/2007/1 on the implementation of the GFCM Task 1 statistical matrix	Algeria	-----	-----	- data submitted	- further technical assistance required
	Morocco	-----	-----	- data submitted	- some constraints to compile data due to movements of vessels between Mediterranean and Atlantic
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy	- EC regulations	- full implementation foreseen through the EC data collection regulation	- Data for Task 1.1 and 1.2 have been submitted.
	Turkey	-----	-----	- Task 1.1 submitted - Task 1.2 to be submitted soon	-----

Reference of GFCM Measure	Country	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
Recommendation GFCM/2008/1 on a regional scheme on port state measures to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing in the GFCM area	Algeria	-----	- national law on fisheries and aquaculture	- VMS project in place - Control scheme in place - National ports have been designated	- training is required for fishery port inspectors
	Morocco	-----	-----	- list of trawlers sent to the Secretariat	- trawlers move between the Mediterranean and Atlantic
	Spain	- European Community Common Fisheries Policy	-----	-----	- Under discussion within an EU Council Working Party.
	Turkey	- A technical, infrastructural and operational framework is being developed	-----	- 34 port offices have been constructed - designation of ports are included into the new national fisheries law (to be approved by Parliament) - further arrangements required for inspection facilities	-----

SUGGESTED ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE

13. The Committee is invited to examine the contents of this document and to provide guidance for further action and follow up.

Annex A

Data transmission on vessels authorized to operate in the GFCM Area
 (Recommendation GFCM/2005/2)
 Status as at 19/02/09)

COUNTRY	DATE OF COMMUNICATION	
	MOST RECENT FULL LIST	AMENDMENTS
Albania	10/09/2008	23/11/2008
Algeria	27/01/2008	
Bulgaria	22/10/2008	27/10/2008
Croatia	22/10/2007	
Cyprus	22/10/2008	
Egypt	08/04/2008	
France	22/10/2008	
Greece	22/10/2008	
Italy	22/10/2008	
Japan	12/02/2008	
Lebanon	27/08/2007	26/05/2008
Libya	16/01/2007	
Malta	22/10/2008	
Morocco	07/01/2008	
Slovenia	22/10/2008	
Spain	22/10/2008	
Syria	02/11/2008	
Tunisia	22/07/2008	
Turkey	15/07/2008	

Annex B

Data provided by Spain on the Dolphin fisheries using FADs



Recommendation GFCM/2006/2
 Establishment of a closed season for the dolphin fish fisheries
 using Fish Aggregation Devices (FADs)



ANNUAL REPORTING FORM

CORY-ESP2007

Reporting Authority
 Secretaría Gen. del Mar

? Country

? Year

? Fishing period from to

? Extension of fishing period into January of the following year?

? GSAs (of fishing operation)

<input type="text" value="05 - Balearic Island"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

? Total landings (tonnes)

? Total transhipments (tonnes)

? System of collection and treatment of catch and effort data?
 Specify:

OPTIONAL

? Number of vessels involved in the fishery

? Total GT of vessels involved in the fishery

? Length range of vessels involved in the fishery (m) from to

? Average length of vessels involved in the fishery (m)

? Estimated total catch (tonnes)

? Estimated total effort (number of FADs * number of fishing trips)

CPUE

? Average size of fish caught at the:

a) beginning of season (mm)	<input type="text"/>	b) end of the season (mm)	<input type="text"/>
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Recommendation GFCM/2006/2
 Establishment of a closed season for the dolphin fish fisheries
 using Fish Aggregation Devices (FADs)



ANNUAL REPORTING FORM

CORY-ESP2008

Reporting Authority
 Secretaría Gen. del Mar

? Country

? Year

? Fishing period from September to November

? Extension of fishing period into January of the following year?

? GSAs (of fishing operation)

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CPUE

? Average size of fish caught at the:

a) beginning of season (mm) b) end of the season (mm)

ANNEX C

National reports on the implementation of GFCM decisions

ALGERIA

Référence des mesures de la CGPM	Cadre politique, juridique ou institutionnel de mise en oeuvre	Référence de la loi nationale (le cas échéant)	Progrès accompli dans la mise en œuvre opérationnelle	Remarques, (y compris les obstacles)
- Recommandation CGPM 2005/2 concernant l'établissement d'un registre CGPM des Navires de plus de 15 mètres autorisés à pêcher dans la zone de la CGPM			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mise en place d'une équipe spécialisée au niveau de la S/D des statistiques, - élaboration d'une base de données sur la flottille de pêche, - la liste de navires a été transmise à la CGPM. 	-l'équipe rencontre des difficultés sur les données économiques et souhaite une assistance technique pour mener une enquête économique et analyser les données.
- Recommandation CGPM/2006/2 relative à l'établissement d'une saison de fermeture pour la pêcherie de coryphènes utilisant des dispositifs de concentration de poisson (DCP)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - l'activité n'est pas développée et seuls des prises accessoires minimales ont été enregistrées. - Cette recommandation sera prise en compte au moment nécessaire. 	
- Recommandation CGPM/2006/2 relative à l'établissement de zones de pêches restreintes afin de protéger les habitats sensibles en eaux profondes			<p>Plusieurs actions ont été menées :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Institution d'une ZPR, -interdiction de chalutage dans des eaux profondes (supérieures à 800 m), - projet d'installation d'un VMS, qui sera opérationnel au courant de l'année 2009 pour protéger ces zones, 	La mise en œuvre de ces actions nécessite un accompagnement et une assistance technique de la FAO.

Référence des mesures de la CGPM	Cadre politique, juridique ou institutionnel de mise en oeuvre	Référence de la loi nationale (le cas échéant)	Progrès accompli dans la mise en œuvre opérationnelle	Remarques, (y compris les obstacles)
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - identification des zones par des opérations de campagne d'évaluation des ressources halieutiques, - acquisition d'un navire de recherche océanographique en cours pour mener ces campagnes, qui aboutiront à l'établissement de zones de pêches restreintes. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommandation CGPM/2006/4 relative à l'établissement d'une liste de navire présumés avoir exercé des activités de pêches illicites, non déclarée et non réglementée dans la zone de la CGPM 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - pas le liste à l'état actuel, car pas de navire identifié dans ce cadre. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommandation CGPM/2007/1 relative au maillage des chaluts exploitant des espèces démersales 		Loi 01-11 du 03 juillet 2001, relative à la pêche et à l'aquaculture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommandation en vigueur, et adoptée par la réglementation nationale. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Résolution CGPM/2007/1 relative à la mise en œuvre de la matrice statistique Tâche 1 de la CGPM 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - cette matrice a été renseignée et transmise. Des progrès en été réalisés par l'équipe des statistiques pour son application. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - une assistance de la CGPM, même à distance, est souhaitée pour une maîtrise complète de cette matrice.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommandation CGPM/2008/1 concernant un schéma régional relatif aux mesures de l'état du port dans le contexte de la lutte contre la pêche illicite, non déclarée et 		Loi 01-11 du 03 Juillet 2001 (art. 60).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - projet de mise en place d'un VMS, qui sera opérationnel au courant de l'année 2009, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - nécessité d'une formation aux profits des inspecteurs des pêches, qui seront chargés

Référence des mesures de la CGPM	Cadre politique, juridique ou institutionnel de mise en oeuvre	Référence de la loi nationale (le cas échéant)	Progrès accompli dans la mise en œuvre opérationnelle	Remarques, (y compris les obstacles)
non réglementée dans la zone de compétence de la CGPM.			<ul style="list-style-type: none">- mise en place d'une police des pêches relevant du MPRH, pour le contrôle des activités de pêche et d'aquaculture entrée en application,- désignation des ports nationaux.	de l'Etat du port

MOROCCO

Références des mesures de la CGPM	Portée	Cadre politique, juridique ou institutionnel de mise en oeuvre	Remarques (y compris les obstacles)
REC-GFCM/29/2005/2	Établissement d'un registre des navires mesurant plus de 15 mètres autorisés à pêcher dans la zone de la CGPM.	La liste des navires autorisés à pêcher dans la zone de la CGPM pour l'année 2008 à été transmise au Secrétariat de la CGPM en mars 2009	L'autorisation de pêche annuelle est valable du premier janvier au 31 décembre de chaque année. Les navires marocains sont caractérisés par leur mobilité entre les côtes atlantiques et méditerranéennes.
REC-GFCM/30/2006/2	Établissement d'une saison de fermeture pour la pêcherie de Coryphène utilisant des Dispositifs de Concentration du Poissons (DCPs)	Pas de pêcherie ciblant la Coryphène (<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>) au Maroc.	Le Maroc ne dispose pas de pêcherie de la Coryphène (<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>)
REC-GFCM/30/2006/3	Établissement de zones de pêche restreintes afin de protéger les habitats sensibles en eaux profondes	Le Maroc n'est pas concerné par ces zones étant donné que l'emplacement des zones de pêche restreinte recommandées se situe loin des eaux relevant de sa juridiction.	Le Maroc n'a pas d'objection pour l'établissement de zones de pêche restreintes afin de protéger les habitats sensibles en eaux profondes
REC-GFCM/30/2006/4	Établissement d'une liste de navires présumés avoir exercé des activités de pêche Illicites, Non Déclarées et Non Réglementées dans la zone CGPM.	Pas de navire identifié.	Le Maroc ne dispose pas de liste de navires ayant exercé des activités de pêche Illicites, Non Déclarées et Non Réglementées
REC-GFCM/31/2007/3	Maille carrée 40 mm dans le cul de chalut exploitant les espèces démersales.	Le passage des chalutiers de la maille losange à la maille carrée de 40 mm nécessite la mise en oeuvre de moyens financiers et logistiques très importants. Le passage aux mailles carrées est basé sur le volontariat et les pays membres disposent d'un délai allant jusqu' au 31 mai 2010 pour appliquer cette recommandation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Achever les études de ce maillage carré pour avoir des résultats palpables devant intéresser l'aménagiste (gestionnaire) et les opérateurs; - Ne pas appliquer cette mesure dans l'immédiat et reste sur la base du volontariat; - Les chalutiers marocains se déplacent entre la côte méditerranéenne et atlantique marocaines.
RES-GFCM/31/2007/1	Mise en oeuvre de la matrice statistique Tâche 1 de la CGPM.	Le Maroc a transmis les données de la Tâche 1.1 et Tâche 1.2 au Secrétariat de la CGPM en septembre 2008. Il est en train de préparer les Tâches 1.3 et 1.4 qui vous seront communiquées ultérieurement	L'élaboration des de la Tâche 1 est compliquée sachant que la flotte marocaine est caractérisée par sa mobilité entre les façades atlantique et méditerranéenne. Les contraintes de cette Tâche ont été discutées avec Mr. Rino COPOLLA de

Références des mesures de la CGPM	Portée	Cadre politique, juridique ou institutionnel de mise en oeuvre	Remarques (y compris les obstacles)
			la FAO (COPEMED II) et Mr. CAMILLERI du Secrétariat de la CGPM lors de leur visite au Maroc en date du 23 au 25 février 2009.
RES- GFCM/2007/2	Création de sous zones géographiques à l'intérieur de la zone de compétence de la CGPM	La délimitation des sous zones ne comporte aucune implication juridique pour le Maroc	Le Maroc est pour cette délimitation de sous zones géographiques dont le Maroc fait partie de la GSA 3
REC-GFCM/32/2008/2	Recommandation de la CICTA sur l'espadon méditerranéen	Le Maroc a interdit la pêche de l'espadon en Méditerranée du 15 octobre au 15 novembre de chaque année	Sensibilisation de tous les professionnels des ports de la Méditerranée sur cette fermeture saisonnière de pêche de l'espadon
REC-GFCM/32/2008/1	Schéma régional relatif aux mesures du ressort de l'état du port dans le contexte de la lutte contre la pêche illicite, non déclarée et non réglementée dans la zone de compétence de la CGPM.	La liste des chalutiers opérationnels dans la zone de compétence de la CGPM a été envoyée au Secrétariat.	Les chalutiers marocains sont caractérisés par leur mobilité entre la côte méditerranéenne et atlantique nationale.

SPAIN

Reference of GFCM Measures	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
<p>Recommendation GFCM/2005/1 on the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and deepwater species.</p>	<p>Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community</p> <p>National Law</p>	<p>Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006 (<i>OJ L36 of 8 February 2007</i>): Article 4(3), Article 8(1)h, Article 9, Article 11 and Annex 1, Article 14</p> <p>Orden APA/254/2008, of 31 January, establishing a National Plan for the Management of Fishing Resources within the Mediterranean (<i>OJ of 7 February 2008</i>): Art. 6, Art. 7.</p> <p>Royal Decree 1440/1999, of 10 September, establishing rules for bottom trawl gears within the national fishing grounds of the Mediterranean (<i>OJ of 20 October 1999</i>): Art.11.</p>	<p>No bottom towed gears are allowed to operate beyond 1000 m.</p> <p>Implementation of new 40 mm square mesh size is in progress (end date 31 may 2010).</p> <p>No bottom towed gears are allowed to operate beyond 1000 m.</p> <p>Minimum of 40 mm mesh size for demersal trawl gears.</p> <p>Minimum of 40 mm mesh size for bottom trawl gears.</p>	
<p>Recommendation GFCM/2005/2 concerning the establishment of GFCM record of vessels over 15 meters authorized to operate in the GFCM area</p>	<p>Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community</p>	<p>Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006 (<i>OJ L36 of 8 February 2007</i>): Article 24.</p>	<p>EC updates on a regular basis the list of EU Member States' vessels greater than 15m and sends the information to the GFCM on behalf of Member States.</p>	

Reference of GFCM Measures	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
		Community fishing fleet register: - Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 (<i>OJ L358 of 31 December 2002</i>): Chapter III - Commission Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 (<i>OJ L5 of 9 January 2004</i>)		
Recommendation GFCM/2006/1 concerning the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and small pelagic	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community	Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006 (<i>OJ L36 of 8 February 2007</i>). Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 (<i>OJ L358 of 31 December 2002</i>). Data Collection Regulation: Council Regulation 199/2008 (<i>OJ L60 of 5 March 2008</i>) and Com. Decision 2008/949/EC (<i>OJ L346 of 23 December 2008</i>)	Framework for the establishment of several measures to better management of the fishing resources and fishing effort, as reduction/adjustment of the fishing fleet capacity, adoption of recovery/management plans, establishment of targets for the sustainable exploitation of stocks, limiting catches, fixing the number and type of fishing vessels authorised to fish, or adoption of technical measures, <i>inter alia</i> , all of them contributing to the limitation of the fishing effort. Establishment of a Community framework for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector and support for scientific advice regarding the Common Fisheries Policy.	

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	National Law	<p>Orden APA/254/2008, of 31 January, establishing a National Plan for the Management of Fishing Resources within the Mediterranean (<i>OJ of 7 February 2008</i>): Art. 8</p> <p>Data Collection Regulation</p>	<p>This national plan establishes, for Spanish flag boats operating within the Mediterranean, measures for the contribution to the rational management, conservation and recovery of the Fisheries. So, periods allowed/banned to fish are established by fishing areas, and by fishing gear – purse seine/bottom trawl-. Art. 8 is specifically about limiting fishing effort. This specific plan for the Mediterranean replaces the previous one, in force since 2006 (Orden APA/79/2006, of 19 January, <i>OJ of 26 January 2006</i>).</p> <p>In the framework of Data Collection Regulation, the Spanish Institute for Marine Research (IEO) collects length and biological data of main commercial species under the guidelines of the National Program supported by the EU for the collection and management of fisheries data in accordance with Community programmes.</p>	
Recommendation GFCM/2006/2 concerning the establishment of a closed season for the Dolphin fish fisheries using fish aggregation devices (FADs)	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community	Council Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 (<i>OJ L22 of 26 January 2009</i>): Article 28 (replaces Council Regulation (EC) No 41/2007, Article 26, and Council Regulation (EC) No 40/2008, Article 29)	Establishes a closed season for the Dolphin Fish fishery using FADs.	

Reference of GFCM Measures	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
	National Law	Orden APA/52/2002, of 2 January (<i>OJ of 15 January 2002</i>)	It regulates Dolphin Fish fishery using FADs within the Balearic Islands (GSA 5), the only area in Spain where this fishery is carried out.	
Recommendation GFCM/2006/3 on the establishment of fisheries restricted areas in order to protect the deep sea sensitive habitats	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community	Council Regulations: (EC) No 41/2007 Article 27 (EC) No 40/2008 Article 30 (EC) No 43/2009 Article 29		
Recommendation GFCM/2006/4 on the establishment of a list of vessels presumed to have carried out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing activities in the GFCM area	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community	Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008, establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing. (<i>OJ L286 of 29 October 2008</i>)	Chapter V, on identification of fishing vessels engaged in IUU fishing. Regulation shall apply from 1 January 2010 (Art. 57)	Spain is working to fulfill the requirements of the Regulation by 1 January 2010.
Recommendation GFCM/2007/1 on the mesh size of trawl nets exploiting demersal resources	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community National Law	Council Regulations: (EC) No 40/2008 Article 31 (EC) No 43/2009 Article 30 Orden APA/254/2008, of 31 January, establishing a National Plan for the Management of Fishing Resources within the Mediterranean (<i>OJ of 7 February 2008</i>): Art. 7. Royal Decree 1440/1999, of 10 September, establishing rules for bottom trawl gears within the national fishing grounds of the Mediterranean (<i>OJ of 20 October 1999</i>): Art.11.	Minimum of 40 mm mesh size for demersal trawl gears. Minimum of 40 mm mesh size for bottom trawl gears.	Spain has no demersal trawl fisheries using mesh size<40mm

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Resolution GFCM/2007/1 on the implementation of the GFCM Task 1 statistical matrix	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community	<p>Council Regulation (EC) No 43/2009: Article 31</p> <p>Council Regulation (EC) 199/2008 and Com. Decision 2008/949/EC (replacing Council R. 1543/2000 and Com. Decision 1639/2001)</p>	<p>Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 establishes legal obligation for Task 1.1 and Task 1.2.</p> <p>Implementation of the rest of components of TASK 1 are under way via the Data Collection regulations.</p>	<p>Spain has already transmitted the Task 1.1 and Task 1.2 data for the year 2007. Transmission of Task 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5 will be gradually implemented via the Data Collection regulations.</p>
Recommendation GFCM/2008/1 on a regional scheme on port state measures to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing in the GFCM area	Community measures under the CFP, as a member of the European Community			<p>Currently under discussion within an EU Council Working Party as a draft proposal. It is foreseen to be transposed in 2009</p>

TURKEY

Reference of GFCM Measures	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework	Reference of national law (if applicable)	Progress on operational implementation	Remarks, (including constraints)
Recommendation GFCM/2005/1 on the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and deepwater species	Requirements of this recommendation have been translated into fisheries management regime both at legislative and implementation level.	<p>Article 10 (bans on deep trawl fishing) of Notification 2/1 Regulating Commercial Fishing.</p> <p>Article 10 (2) requires deep trawlers in Aegean Sea and Mediterranean Sea to use a minimum diamond mesh size of 44 mm or a minimum square mesh size of 40 mm. In addition, the mesh of outside bag should be at least two times the size of the mesh of the inside bag.</p> <p>Article 10 (3) requires deep trawlers in Black Sea to use a minimum diamond or square mesh size of 40 mm, as well as a minimum 80 mm size of mesh outside of the bag.</p>		
Recommendation GFCM/2005/2 concerning the establishment of GFCM record of vessels over 15 meters authorized to operate in the GFCM area	Registry of national fishing vessels has been broadly updated under the work devoted to development of national Fisheries Information System.		List of Turkish vessels authorized to operate in the GFCM area has been incorporated into GFCM's Authorised Vessel List database	
Recommendation GFCM/2006/1 concerning the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and small				

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pelagic				
Recommendation GFCM/2006/2 concerning the establishment of a closed season for the Dolphin fish fisheries using fish aggregation devices (FADs)		Fishing of dolphin fish is banned from January 1 to August 14 in accordance with the Article 22 (5) of the Notification 1/1 Regulating Commercial Fishing.	In Turkey, there exists no directed fishing for dolphin fish while the amount of dolphin fish caught by fisherman is insignificant.	
Recommendation GFCM/2006/3 on the establishment of fisheries restricted areas in order to protect the deep sea sensitive habitats			No fisheries restrictive area has been designated to protect deep sea sensitive habitats.	
Recommendation GFCM/2006/4 on the establishment of a list of vessels presumed to have carried out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing activities in the GFCM area			No vessel has been reported as involved in IUU fishing.	
Recommendation GFCM/2007/1 on the mesh size of trawl nets exploiting demersal resources		Article 10 (bans on deep trawl fishing) of Notification 2/1 Regulating Commercial Fishing.	No derogation has been granted to demersal trawl fishing for use of a minimum diamond or square mesh size of 40 mm for trawl fishing	
Resolution GFCM/2007/1 on the implementation of the GFCM Task 1 statistical matrix			Task 1.1 matrix has been delivered to GFCM. Task 1.2 matrix is to be completed soon.	
Recommendation GFCM/2008/1 on a regional scheme on port state measures to combat illegal, unreported and	Turkey is currently working on to develop a technical, infrastructural and operational framework to meet the		Compliance with the requirement of the recommendation requires	

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unregulated fishing in the GFCM area	requirements of the Recommendation		<p>further alignment both at legislative and implementation level.</p> <p>Turkey has constructed 34 offices at ports for collection of data on landings.</p> <p>Provisions on the designation of ports for landings have been included into the amended Fisheries Law which requires approval from the Turkish parliament.</p> <p>Inspection of vessels at these ports under the scope of the This Recommendation necessities further structural arrangements.</p>	

ANNEX D

**Information on the implementation of GFCM decisions
submitted to the Second Session of CoC**

Reference of GFCM Measures	Scope	Implementing policy, legal or institutional framework
REC-GFCM/29/2005/2	Establishment of a GFCM record of vessels over 15 metres authorized to operate in the GFCM area	<p>Algeria: The list of authorised vessels has been transmitted to the GFCM Secretariat</p> <p>Japan: The list of authorised vessels has been transmitted to the GFCM Secretariat. This list includes all the Japanese large-scale tuna longline vessels. The number of longline vessels which actually operate in the GFCM Area is around 15 vessels recently (the total number of vessels reported is 416).</p> <p>Libya: The list of authorised vessels has been transmitted to the GFCM Secretariat.</p>
REC-GFCM/30/2006/2	Establishment of a closed season for the dolphin fish fisheries using fishing aggregation devices (FADs)	<p>Algeria: No fisheries targeting dolphin fish in Algeria</p> <p>Libya: Fishing season for the Dolphin fish (<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>), using either fish aggregation devices (FADs) and/or any other fish gear devices is traditionally starts in Libya on 31st of August and ends in December each year. Such fishing arrangement is in conformity with GFCM Recommendation GFCM/2006/2 as it coincides with the recommended prohibition period; i.e. from 1 January to 14 August of each year. Nevertheless, steps are being taken, in accordance with the relative current legislative measures, to legally ensure adoption of all the provisions included in this recommendation.</p>
REC-GFCM/30/2006/3	Establishment of fisheries restricted areas in order to protect the deep sea sensitive habitats	<p>Algeria: Some protected Areas were established in the past. They are identified in the national legislation.</p> <p>Libya: Libya is not concerned as the locations of the recommended fisheries restricted areas lie far away off the waters under its jurisdictions</p>
REC-GFCM/30/2006/4	Establishment of a list of vessels presumed to have carried out illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing activities in the GFCM area	<p>Algeria: No vessel was identified.</p> <p>Libya: List being prepared as per the GFCM web site formats. It will be transmitted as soon as it has been finalized. In this context, perhaps it is worth reiterating that in the past a considerable number of vessels flying flags of different nationalities were caught fishing without authorizations in the waters under the Libyan national jurisdiction. Effective actions were taken against those vessels include prosecution, and imposition of actions of adequate severity.</p>
REC-GFCM/31/2007/1	Mesh size of trawlnets exploiting demersal resources	<p>Libya: The standing committee with a mandate to review the current law governing the exploitation of marine wealth (i.e. Law No. 14/1989) and its technical by-laws has drafted an amendment to the said by-law and incorporated this recommendation among its articles. However, all amendments including any deletions and/or additions have to be approved by the Secretariat of Agriculture, Husbandry and Marine Wealth prior to its implementation</p>

RES-GFCM/31/2007/1	Implementation of the GFCM task 1 statistical matrix	<p>Algeria: Noted some difficulties for the Statistics Service to compile this matrix and expressed wish to revise its methods of work to better deal with this matrix according to the available information.</p> <p>Libya: Some related indications were provided (N. of vessels by segment). Missing segments of the matrix - as appropriate- will be transmitted as soon as each segment and/or item is being re-prepared and classified in accordance with the GFCM matrix format</p>
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