

GENERAL FISHERIES COMMISSION FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN COMMISSION GÉNÉRALE DES PÊCHES POUR LA MÉDITERRANÉE



Compliance Committee (COC)

Intersessional meeting of the Compliance Committee

FAO HQs, Rome, 28-29 January 2014

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

TUESDAY 28 JANUARY 2014

Morning, 09:30-12:30 hours

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

The Chairperson of the COC and the GFCM Secretariat on behalf of the GFCM President will open the meeting and recall its objectives. Participants will introduce themselves and rapporteurs will be nominated, including among delegates in attendance, as appropriate. The agenda will be examined and adopted (with or without amendments).

2. Review of the replies to requests for clarifications sent by the GFCM Secretariat to GFCM Members

A presentation will be delivered by the GFCM Secretariat in relation to the clarification process relating to the implementation of relevant GFCM recommendations, in light of the provisions in "Rec. GFCM/34/2010/3 Concerning the identification of the non-compliance" as well as of the outcomes of the 7th session of the COC and the 37th session of the GFCM (Split, Croatia, May 2013). Replies provided by each GFCM Member to the requests for clarifications sent by the GFCM Secretariat will be reviewed by the COC (on a country basis). Representatives of Members are expected to provide additional information, as necessary, and discuss specific aspects and problems relating to the implementation of relevant GFCM recommendations.

LUNCH Afternoon, 14:00–17:00 hours

- 2. Review of the replies to requests for clarifications sent by the GFCM Secretariat to GFCM Members (cont.)
- 3. Discussions on possible cases of non-compliance by GFCM Members and future course of action

In light of the outcomes under point 2 of the agenda, the COC will discuss potential cases of non-compliance and the course of action that should be taken, including letters of identification.

WEDNESDAY 29 JANUARY 2014

Morning, 09:30-12:30 hours

4. Review of available information concerning compliance with GFCM recommendations by non-Members

A presentation will be delivered by the GFCM Secretariat in relation to available information on presumed fishing activities by non-Members in the Black Sea and in the Mediterranean Sea, respectively.

5. Discussions on possible cases of non-compliance by non-Members and future course of action

In light of the outcomes under point 4 of the agenda, the COC will discuss potential cases of non-compliance and the course of action that should be taken, including letters of identification.

LUNCH Afternoon, 14:00–17:00 hours

6. Proposals for possible revision of the text of Recommendation GFCM/34/2010/3 concerning the identification of the non-compliance

Following the decisions taken by the COC at its 7th session on the clarification process relating to the implementation of relevant GFCM recommendations, the need for amendments to the text of "Rec. GFCM/34/2010/3 Concerning the identification of the non-compliance" will be examined.

7. Any other matter

Additional issues will be examined, as necessary.

8. Conclusions and recommendations to the COC

The outcomes of the meeting will be summarized into a set of conclusions and recommendations for the COC at its 8th Session (FAO HQs, Rome, May 2014).

9. Closure of the intersessional meeting of the COC

The Chairperson of the COC and the GFCM Secretariat on behalf of the GFCM President will close the meeting subsequent to the adoption of the conclusions and recommendations under point 8.

Coffee breaks will be served in the morning and the afternoon.