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Subject: Recommendation on fish aggregating devices (dFADs) in the context of the conservation and management of Atlantic tunas

Dear Mrs. Charlina Vitcheva,

Considering that in the 1st and 2nd of July there will be a Panel 1 intersessional meeting of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), CC RUP addresses to the European Commission our recommendation on the issues that will be discussed.

This recommendation was developed with the understanding that the above mentioned ICCAT meeting will focus on reviewing the measures and limits in place for drifting fish aggregating devices (dFADs). While we fully applaud the focus of this meeting, we are genuinely concerned that yet again the proposed management measures might not be sufficiently robust to effectively improve the regulation of dFADs.

Best regards,

The President of the Executive Committee of the CC RUP,

(David Pavón González)