

08 February 2019

IOTC CIRCULAR 2019-09

Dear Sir/Madam

REQUEST FROM PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA TO CHANGE THE FLAG DETAILS OF THE FISHING VESSEL KIM SENG DENG 3 ON THE IOTC IUU VESSELS LIST

Please find attached a letter from the Plurinational State of Bolivia, addressed to the Chairperson of the Commission.

The letter emphatically claims that the vessel, KIM SENG DENG 3 has not been flagged to the Plurinational State of Bolivia. Following consultations with the Chairperson of the Commission, and in view any potential repercussions this association may have for the Plurinational State of Bolivia, I would like to, on an exceptional basis, invite the Commissioners of IOTC Member States to review the request and indicate whether they are in agreement or not to amend the record pertaining to the flag of the vessel, KIM SENG DENG 3, on the IOTC IUU Vessels List.

If there is agreement, the record shall indicate that the flag of this vessel is "Unknown". In the event that an objection is received, the matter shall be deferred to the next meeting of the Compliance Committee, in June 2019.

I will consider a 'no-reply' as approval for amending the record of the vessel, KIM SENG DENG 3, on the IOTC IUU Vessels List.

Please send any feedback to IOTC-Secretariat@fao.org by 8 March 2019.

Yours sincerely



Christopher O'Brien
Executive Secretary

Attachment(s):

- Correspondence from the Plurinational State of Bolivia

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