

10 January 2020

IOTC CIRCULAR 2020-02

Dear Madam / Sir

GRANTING IOTC OBSERVER STATUS TO THE GLOBAL TUNA ALLIANCE

IOTC Circular 2019-42 conveyed a request from the Global Tuna Alliance to attend IOTC meetings as an observer ([click here](#)). In accordance with Rule XIV.5 of the IOTC Rules of Procedure, India objected to the granting of observer status to the Global Tuna Alliance, for the reasons provided in IOTC Circular 2019-49 ([click here](#)). I subsequently requested your views on the matter.

Having received no additional objections, I have concluded that a clear majority of members of the Commission do not object to observer status being granted to the Global Tuna Alliance, and I have instructed the Executive Secretary to advise the Global Tuna Alliance accordingly.

Yours sincerely



Ms Susan Imende
IOTC Chairperson

Attachments:
None

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