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Relationship with Non-members

Purpose

To discuss the situation with countries who are not Cooperating Non-Members.

Discussion

Since CCSBT 15, correspondence has been conducted with only one non-member, the Sultanate of Oman. South Africa advised the Extended Commission that an Omani vessel sought to enter Durban Harbour in October 2008 with a declared amount of 3,703kg of southern bluefin tuna (SBT) on board. The Executive Secretary wrote to the Sultanate of Oman, requesting advice on its intention with regard to the SBT fishery. No reply has been received.

The Strategy and Fisheries Management Working Group meeting has asked the Secretariat to request the USA and China to cooperate with the CCSBT CDS when it commences. The Secretariat will write to the USA and China after CCSBT 16.