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**Follow-up on Apparent Infringements**

**NAFO CONSERVATION AND ENFORCEMENT MEASURES**

**Part IV - Scheme of Joint International Inspection and Surveillance**

Insert new second sentence in paragraph 12 as follows:

12. Appropriate authorities of a Contracting Party shall consider and act on reports from inspectors of other Contracting Parties under the scheme on the same basis as reports from its own inspectors. Contracting Parties shall cooperate to follow up apparent infringements using all necessary evidence available from all sources, including evidence from other Contracting Parties as required for effective prosecution or administrative proceedings, subject to the rules governing the admissibility of evidence in domestic courts.

The provisions of this paragraph shall not impose any obligation on the appropriate authorities of a Contracting Party to give the report from a foreign inspector a higher evidentiary value than it would possess in the inspector's own country. Appropriate authorities of Contracting Parties shall collaborate in order to facilitate judicial or other proceedings arising from a report submitted by the inspector under the scheme.

Existing paragraph 14.(ii) and 14.(iii) to be deleted and incorporated in new paragraph 15.

15. a) Appropriate authorities of each Contracting Party shall report to the Executive Secretary by February 1 (for the period July 1-December 31 of the previous year) and September 1 (for the period January 1-June 30 of the current year) each year:
- i) the disposition of apparent infringements notified to it by a Contracting Party. The apparent infringements shall continue to be listed on each subsequent report until the action is concluded under the laws of the Flag State;
  - ii) differences that they consider significant between records of catches in the logbooks of vessels flying the flag of the Contracting Party and inspectors' estimates of catches on board the vessels.
- b) The report required in (a) above shall indicate the current status of the case (i.e. case pending, under appeal, still under investigation, etc) and any penalties imposed shall be described in specific terms (i.e. level of fines, value of forfeited fish and/or gear, written warning given, etc) and shall include an explanation if no action has been taken.

Existing paragraph 15 will be renumbered as paragraph 16.