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Delisting procedure for IUU vessels

NAFO CEM – Article 57

The NAFO procedures to remove a vessel from the NAFO listings related to vessels engaged in IUU fishing activities does not provide exhaustive criteria on which STACTIC should base its decision to delist the vessel concerned.

Considering the similarity between both IUU listings, it is requested to align the delisting criteria in NAFO with the relevant criteria for NEAFC. This would in particular allow Contracting Parties to recommend the removal of an IUU listed vessel without the intervention of the flag State.

Possible amendment

Insert the following text in Article 57 paragraph 3 after d)

e) the vessel has sunk, been scrapped, or permanently reassigned for purposes other than for fishing activities.

STACTIC may also recommend that the vessel be removed from the Provisional List or the IUU List if a Contracting Party provides satisfactory evidence that the conditions under e) have been met.