It is recommended that Article 16.5 in the NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures be amended as follows:

Article 16 – Coral and Sponge Protection Zones

5. Contracting Parties are encouraged to the extent possible to record all coral and sponge catch in their annual government and/or industry research programs and to consider non-destructive means for the long-term monitoring of coral and sponges in the closed areas.