

Provisional Annotated Agenda of the 11th SEAFO Commission meeting

Venue: Safari Hotel, Windhoek

Date: 01 – 05 December 2014

1. Opening of the meeting

The Chair: Ms. Kashorte will open the meeting and welcome all.

2. Adoption of agenda and meeting arrangements

The Meeting will review and adopt the agenda. Delegations will be informed of any practical arrangements for the meeting by the Executive Secretary (DOC/COM/01/2014) & (DOC/COM/02/2014).

3. Introduction and Admission of Observers

The Chair will announce observers present.

4. Opening Statement by Contracting Parties and Observers

The Heads of Delegations will introduce members of their delegations and make opening statements. Observers who wish to make opening statements will do so after the opening statements of the Contracting Parties.

5. Status of the Convention in Respect of Membership

The Chair will inform the meeting of the current status of accession to the Convention.

6. Report of the Scientific Committee

The Chair, Mr. P. Kainge (Namibia), of the Scientific Committee will present a summary of the Scientific Report (DOC/COM/03/2014) including scientific advice and recommendations to the Commission. The Commission will discuss the Scientific Report and take appropriate decisions on the recommendations made.

7. Report of the Compliance Committee

The Chair, Mr D. Azevedo (Angola), of the Compliance Committee, will present a summary of the Compliance Committee Report (DOC/COM/04/2014) including recommendations to the Commission. The Commission will discuss the Compliance Committee Report and take appropriate decisions.

8. Report of the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance

The Chair, Ms. G. D'Almeida (Namibia), of the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance will present a summary of the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance Report (DOC/COM/05/2014) including recommendations to the Commission. The Commission will discuss the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance Report and take appropriate decisions.

9. Norway's proposed amendments to Conservation Measure XX/14 on Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems in the SEAFO Convention Area

Norway has proposed amendments to the said Conservation Measure *cf.* DOC/COM/07/2014. DOC/COM/06/2014 provides more background information. The Commission will discuss DOC/COM/07/2014 and take appropriate decisions.

10. Report back from meetings attended by the Executive Secretary

The Executive Secretary will report back on meetings attended namely:

- i. COFI meeting (DOC/COM/08/2014)
- ii. RSN workshops (DOC/COM/09/2014)
- iii. ABNJ inception workshop (DOC/COM/10/2014)

The Commission will take note of the reports presented by the Executive Secretary.

11. Reports of SEAFO Representatives at 2014 meetings of other Intergovernmental Organisations

SEAFO representatives at 2014 meetings of other Intergovernmental Organisations will report back to Commission. SEAFO representatives will bring to the attention of the meeting specific issue(s), if any, arose from the meetings. The Commission will take note of the reports presented.

ICCAT: South Africa NAFO and NEAFC: EU CCAMLR and NAMMCO: Norway

12. Nominations of Parties to represent SEAFO at 2015 meetings of other International Organizations

The Commission will nominate representatives to the following meetings: ICCAT (2015)

NEAFC (2015) NAFO (2015) CCAMLR (2015) NAMMCO (2015) SIOFA (2015)

13. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

The two year term of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will lapse at the end of the meeting. The Commission has to decide whether the terms of both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson be extended for another two years or whether the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson positions be taken up by the next Contracting Parties on the alphabet as per paragraph 8 of the Rules of Procedures.

14. Any other matters

The Committee will discuss any other matter raised that was not previously included in the agenda.

15. Venue and date of 2015 Commission meeting

The meeting will agree on a venue and date for the next meeting.

16. Closure of meeting

The Chair will declare the closure of the meeting after all items have been concluded.