
9TH MEETING OF THE COMPLIANCE AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (CTC)

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Follow-up Actions Taken in Relation to the 2021 Final Compliance Report (and other Member commitments)

Secretariat

1. Background

The CTC was pleased to see the continuing improvement in overall compliance in 2019/20. Most of the raised non-compliances pertained to administrative type issues. CTC remained concerned that some Members and CNCPs were still failing to submit information and reports (including NIL reports to SC) within the established timelines/deadlines throughout the reporting period. Timely submission of the annual Implementation Reports also remained an issue with 1/3 of the submissions being received late. Members and/or CNCPs were encouraged to put greater effort into ensuring that the Implementation Reports are provided on time in the future.

Notwithstanding the “non-compliant – no further action” assessments related to the administrative type issues pertaining to missed deadlines and late submissions of information and reports, there was one assessment of non-compliance in the Final Compliance report that required follow-up by the Member.

2. Follow-up Actions

Table 1 summarizes the follow-up actions required in relation to the 2021 Final Compliance Report ([Annex 6a](#) of the COMM9-Report). The current status with respect to the commitment or follow up action is noted.

Table 2 summarizes the follow-up actions required in relation to other commitments made by Members and CNCPs with respect to compliance issues.

Member investigations and/or follow-up reporting to the Commission for the reporting period was in relation to the following CMMs:

- CMM 03-2018 (Bottom Fishing)
- CMM 09-2017 (Seabirds)

CTC9 is requested to:

- **Note** the current status of commitments made last year and make any comments or recommendations it deems appropriate.



Table 1: Status of Follow Up Actions identified in the 2021 Final Compliance report


Member/ CNCP	Compliance Action plan for:	Compliance Issue	2019/20 Compliance Status	Current Status
Russian Federation	CMM 09- 2017 (Seabirds)	The 2019/20 annual national report was lacking information on seabird mitigation measures and mortality reporting. Subsequently Russia provided additional information prior to the annual meeting on the seabird mitigation device and the number of seabird mortalities in 2019. CTC requested additional information of the bird baffler used and an image of it deployed. Russia agreed to provide a photograph of the bird baffler in operation before the next commission meeting.	Non-compliant, commitment to provide a photo of the bird baffler deployed while fishing	<p>Commitment fulfilled: The Russian Federation provided information on the ecosystem approach via email to the Executive Secretary on 22 September 2021 which included images of the bird baffler in operation.</p> 



Table 2: Status of Follow Up Actions pertaining to other compliance related commitments.

Member/ CNCP	Compliance issue in relation to:	Compliance Issue	Commitment or Follow-up	Current Status
New Zealand	CMM 03-2018 (Bottom Fishing)	FV <i>Amatal Apollo</i> detected fishing in a closed VME area within the New Zealand bottom fishing footprint. Investigation and Prosecution undertaken by New Zealand.	At the 8 th Annual meeting New Zealand committed to provide quarterly reports on the progress and outcome of the prosecution case.	Ongoing. Seven quarterly reports provided to date. The most recent quarterly report was circulated on 23 November 2021 via correspondence G168-2021.