

**STATEMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION DELEGATION**

With regard to the voting on tonnage allocations for 2014 the Russian Federation deems necessary to declare that, despite of the objective data on Russia's historic catches and contribution to the scientific research of Jack Mackerel in the SPRFMO Area, these criteria have not been duly counted by other Members of the Commission while deciding on individual tonnages of catches.

The Russian Federation profoundly believes that such approach contradicts the spirit of the Article 21 of the Convention and the decision of the Review Panel in The Hague. Given the historic average catch calculations for the 30-year period and the need for precautionary approach in the use of Jack Mackerel resource, the Russian Federation regards 35,000 tons as its fair annual tonnage.