

COMMENTS ON PROCESS

- On the way to proceed on the 5 issues identified: We believe that work should progress by steps. First of all it will be necessary to improve collection of data and identify additional data needed. In parallel, the Commission should decide on a marking and identification scheme. Then, once these two first steps are agreed upon and implemented, we could proceed to points 3 and 4. On the data and marking options, it would be useful if a group of experts could be appointed to compile, review and analyse existing information and ultimately propose options to be considered and discussed by the WG members and the Commission. The Secretariat and SPC could also support the work of the group. As way example, I have included a paper which has been prepared in IATTC on which CCMs were invited to provide views. In terms of collection of additional data, we had presented jointly with the US, a proposal in this respect which we still consider valid (I have attached it again). I have also attached what we presented (and adopted) in IATTC.
  - o <https://www.wcpfc.int/system/files/WCPFC10-2013-DP05%20US%20proposal%20to%20WCPFC10%20on%20FADs.pdf>
  - o <http://www.iattc.org/PDFFiles2/Resolutions/C-13-04-FADs.pdf>
- We consider that it would be useful to have a FAD WG meeting prior to TCC