

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE USE OF DEFAULT ASSESSMENT TREE

10TH OF MARCH 2015

NORTH AND SOUTH ATLANTIC SWORDFISH & BLUE SHARK LONGLINE FISHERY

CLIENT: ORPAGU & CEPESCA

MARINE STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL CERTIFICATION CERTIFICATION BODY: BUREAU VERITAS CERTIFICATION

BUREAU VERITAS Certification proposes to use the Default Assessment Tree contained within the MSC Certification Requirements Version 1.3 (Annex CB) for the evaluation of this fishery against the MSC Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing.

As required by MSC, all stakeholders are now invited to comment or provide feedback on this proposed usage of the default assessment tree. BUREAU VERITAS Certification will be taking comments for a minimum of 30 days until 17.00 on the 10th of April 2015.

All Comments should be made as specific as possible to individual performance indicators and scoring guideposts, and their potential for scoring this particular fishery against the MSC fisheries Principles and Criteria's. For any comments you wish to make on this or any other stage of the assessment process please use the next information:

The MSC provides a set of guidelines and templates to assist in the transfer of information between stakeholders and Certification Bodies. These should be used for any comments you wish to make on this or any other stage of the assessment process and can be found here:

http://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders

More information regarding the default assessment tree is available in Annex CB to the MSC Certification Requirements, available through this link:

http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/msc-scheme-requirements

Comments should be sent in the first instance to:

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