

IPHC-2022-FAC098-03

Update on actions arising from the 97th Session of the IPHC Finance and Administration Committee (FAC097)

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Purpose

To provide the FAC with an opportunity to consider the progress made during the inter-sessional period in relation to the direct requests for action by the FAC during the 97th Session of the IPHC Finance and Administration Committee (FAC097, January 2021).

BACKGROUND

At the 97th Session of the IPHC Finance and Administration Committee (FAC097), Contracting Parties agreed on a series of actions to be taken as detailed in Appendix A.

DISCUSSION

Noting that best practice governance requires the prompt delivery of core tasks assigned to the IPHC Secretariat by the Commission, at each subsequent session of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies, attempts will be made to ensure that any recommendations for action are carefully constructed so that each contains the following elements:

- 1) a specific action to be undertaken (deliverable);
- clear responsibility for the action to be undertaken (i.e. a specific Contracting Party, the IPHC Secretariat staff, a subsidiary body of the Commission, or the Commission itself);
- 3) a desired time frame for delivery of the action (i.e. by the next session of a subsidiary body, or other date).

This involves numbering and tracking all action items (see <u>Appendix A</u>) from the FAC, as well as including clear progress updates and document reference numbers.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the FAC:

1) **NOTE** paper IPHC-2022-FAC098-03, which provided the FAC with an opportunity to consider the progress made during the inter-sessional period, in relation to the direct requests for action by the FAC during the 97th Session of the IPHC Finance and Administration Committee (FAC097, January 2021).

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Update on actions arising from the 97th Session of the IPHC Finance and Administration Committee (FAC097: January 2021).

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Action No.	Description	Update			
	RECOMMENDATIONS				
FAC097– Rec.01 (para. 11)	Financial Statements for FY2020 The FAC RECOMMENDED that the Commission NOTE the Financial Statements for FY2020, as detailed in paper IPHC-2021-FAC097-04 Rev 1.	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed. IPHC-2021-AM097-R (para. 96) The Commission NOTED the Financial Statements for FY2020, as detailed in paper IPHC-2021-FAC097-04 Rev_1.			
FAC097- Rec.02 (para. 14)	Annual independent auditor's report (2020) The FAC RECOMMENDED that the Commission accept the Independent External Auditors report for FY2020, as per Regulation 14 of the IPHC Financial Regulations (2020).	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed. (para. 97) The Commission NOTED and ACCEPTED the independent external auditors report for FY2020 (IPHC-2021-FAC097-05), as per Regulation 14 of the IPHC Financial Regulations (2020), by consensus. (para. 98) The Commission ACKNOWLEDGED the great strides that the IPHC Secretariat has taken over the past year to improve the transparency, accountability, and accessibility of the IPHC accounting systems and practices.			
FAC097- Rec.03 (para. 25)	Budget estimates: FY2022 The FAC RECOMMENDED that the Commission AGREE for the two Contracting Parties to engage in inter-sessional discussions over the coming months to adopt a budget for FY2022 and the associated Contributions. In doing so, the Contracting Parties may consult with and request assistance from the IPHC Secretariat.	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed. IPHC-2021-AM097-R (para. 102)The Commission AGREED for the two Contracting Parties to engage in inter-sessional discussions over the coming months to adopt a budget for FY2022 and the associated Contributions. In doing so, the Contracting Parties may consult with and request assistance from the IPHC Secretariat.			
FAC097- Rec.04 (para. 29)	IPHC Financial Regulations (2021) - Revisions The FAC RECOMMENDED that the Commission Endorse and Adopt the International Pacific Halibut Commission Financial Regulations (2021), as provided in IPHC-2021-	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed.			

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	FAC097-08 Rev 1, with additional updates agreed to insession, which will be presented to the Commission in paper IPHC-2021-AM097-INF04 Rev 3 for final review and potential adoption.	IPHC-2021-AM097-R (para. 104) The Commission ENDORSED and ADOPTED the IPHC Financial Regulations (2021) as provided in paper IPHC-2021- AM097-INF04 Rev_3 by consensus, and REQUESTED that the IPHC Secretariat finalise and publish them accordingly.		
FAC097- Rec.05 (para. 31)	IPHC Rules of Procedure (2021) - Revisions The FAC RECOMMENDED that the Commission adopt the International Pacific Halibut Commission Rules of Procedure (2021), as provided in IPHC-2021-FAC097-09.	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed. IPHC-2021-AM097-R (para. 106) The Commission ADOPTED the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2021), as provided in IPHC-2021-FAC097-09 by consensus, and REQUESTED that the IPHC Secretariat finalise and publish them accordingly.		
	REQUESTS			
FAC097- Req.01 (para. 22)	Budget estimates: FY2022 The FAC REQUESTED that the Commission NOTE the proposed FY2022 budget (financial period: 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022; Appendix IV), presented by the IPHC Secretariat.	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed. IPHC-2021-AM097-R (para. 100) The Commission NOTED the proposed FY2022 budget (financial period: 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2022; Appendix IX), presented by the IPHC Secretariat.		
FAC097- Req.02 (para. 23)	The FAC REQUESTED that the Commission NOTE the IPHC Secretariat proposed Contracting Party contributions for FY2022 as follows: a) Canadian Contribution: i. U\$\$945,427 for contributions to the IPHC General Fund; ii. U\$\$111,250 to cover IFC pension deficit payments. b) U.S.A. Contribution: i. U\$\$4,365,648 for contributions to the IPHC General Fund; ii. U\$\$139,424 to cover IFC pension deficit payments; iii. U\$\$475,000 to cover the IPHC Headquarters (lease and maintenance).	Lead: David Wilson Status/Plan: Completed. IPHC-2021-AM097-R (para. 101) The Commission NOTED the IPHC Secretariat proposed Contracting Party contributions for FY2022 as follows: a) Canadian Contribution: i. US\$945,427 for contributions to the IPHC General Fund; ii. US\$111,250 to cover IFC pension deficit payments.		

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		b) U.S.A. Contribution:	
		i. US\$4,365,648 for contributions to the IPHC General Fund;	
		ii. US\$139,424 to cover IFC pension deficit payments;	
		iii. US\$475,000 to cover the IPHC Headquarters (lease and maintenance).	