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## **STATEMENT OF CALAMASUR ON THE OUTCOMES OF THE SPRFMO's 10th COMMISSION MEETING ON JUMBO FLYING SQUID**

CALAMASUR deeply regrets that although efforts were made all along this 10th meeting, no substantial improvements have been implemented to ensure conservation and sustainable use of Jumbo Flying Squid.

CALAMASUR would like to express its appreciation to the Latin American and other delegations that hardily and consistently made efforts to strengthen the Commission's management for conservation and sustainable use of this fishery, which aligns with the objectives of our organization and the expectations of Latin American fishermen. We arrived to this meeting with great expectation and encouragement, to support the proposals tabled to enhance measures on transshipments and observers' program, while at the same time we stressed on the need to introduce inexistent effort measures that align with conservation objectives. That is in fact the mandate of the Convention and the call from fisheries international Law.

As a result from the unsuccessful meeting, CALAMASUR notes that SPRFMO risks itself to be considered non-cooperative in the fight against IUU fishing in lack of strong and consistent binding measures to its members on this fishery and this situation cannot be accepted as an outcome consistent with the strong capacities of the Commission.

CALAMASUR understands that virtual format as experienced in this meeting may have reduced the abilities to reach consensus on those important matters, and for that we encourage members to continue working intersessionally and ensuring that early at the next Commission meeting, a strong measure will be adopted, while during this year maintaining a precautionary management of the fishery by commitment in a manner that Jumbo Flying Squid serves for the long term benefits to the ecosystem and to the nations that make use of this resource, specially the developing coastal states.