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Handling/ Releasing/ Reporting of Discards/ by catch

The purpose of this policy is to remind fleet captains and crew on the proper handling of significant marine species caught to be In lined with the advocacy of Earth Island Institute of the Philippines on the protection, conservation and restoration of nature. In which we are yearly audited and certified compliant based on our trace docs especially logsheets, deck logbook and NFA reporting.

General Guidelines:

- 1. Please continue to follow the Conservation and Management Measure 2011-03 issued by the WCPFC for the protection of Cetaceans from Purse Seine Fishing Operation.
- 2. Captains should rebrief all vessel crews on the proper handling/ releasing of significant marine species caught.
- 3. Kindly ensure that following complete details are included in your log sheet, deck logbook and NFA reporting as recommended by EII in their last audit.
 - a. Complete identification of species. (Whale Shark, Risso Dolphin)
 - b. Quantity and estimated weight.
 - c. Separate complete details per specie if more than 1 discards caught.
 - d. State status of the released catch (alive, unharmed, dead).
 - e. Video/ Photo of the non target specie (EII's recommendation for traceability)
 - f. All significant marine species caught should have an incident report submitted to NFA.
 - g. All details on the log sheet, deck logbook and NFA incident report should be the same.

For your guidance and strict compliance.

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