AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION OF ALBATROSSES AND PETRELS

Resolution 5.7

Authority of the Secretariat to Enter into Arrangements with Relevant International Organisations

Adopted by the Fifth Session of the Meeting of the Parties, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain, 4-8 May 2015

Recalling that Article X (d) of the Agreement calls upon the Secretariat to, *inter alia*, liaise with international organisations and institutions whose activities are directly or indirectly relevant to the conservation, including the protection and management, of albatrosses and petrels;

Aware that Article XI (1) of the Agreement calls upon Parties to, *inter alia*, promote the objectives of this Agreement and develop and maintain coordinated and complementary working relationships with all relevant international, regional and sub-regional bodies, including those concerned with the conservation and management of seabirds and their habitats and other marine living resources;

Further recalling that Articles XI (3) authorise the Secretariat enter into arrangements, with the approval of the Meeting of Parties, with other organisations and institutions as may be appropriate;

Further recalling Resolution 3.7 of the Third Session of the Meeting of the Parties on the Authority of the Secretariat to Enter into Arrangements with Relevant International Organisations, which includes a template and modalities for such arrangements;

Further *recalling* that Resolution 3.7 states that any substantive derogation from the template that is more than merely editorial must be approved by the Parties; and

Further *recalling* that Resolution 3.7 states that any proposed amendments of a substantive nature must be approved by the Parties.

The Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels

Decides that:

1. The Secretariat may renew or negotiate the Memoranda of Understanding between ACAP and the following bodies and organisations:

- a. the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR), to facilitate cooperation to minimise the incidental bycatch of albatrosses and petrels;
- b. the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), to facilitate cooperation to minimise the incidental bycatch of albatrosses and petrels;
- c. the Organización Latinoamericana de Desarrollo Pesquero (OLDEPESCA), to facilitate cooperation to minimise the incidental bycatch of albatrosses and petrels; and
- d. the Inter-American Sea Turtle Convention (IAC), to facilitate cooperation to minimise the incidental bycatch of albatrosses and petrels.

2. The template set out in Annex B to resolution 3.7 will be used in respect of the arrangements referred to in paragraph 1 above; and that

3. The Secretariat may commence negotiations for the development of Memoranda of Understanding with the One Health Institute and the Secretariat of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA).