



**Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels**

**Third Meeting of Seabird Bycatch Working Group**

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**Meeting Title:** XX Conferencia de Ministros de la Organización Latinoamericana de Desarrollo Pesquero (OLDEPESCA)

**Meeting Organisation:** OLDEPESCA

**Date and Location:** 2-4 September, 2009 La Paz, Bolivia

**Website Address:** <http://www.oldepesca.com/>

**Your Name/Affiliation:** Warren Papworth, ACAP Secretariat

**Capacity of Attendance:** ACAP Observer

**Relevant Paper(s) Tabled:**

OLDEPESCA-XX-CM-2009-DT.8 Planes de Acción Internacional Para Reducir Las Capturas Incidentales de Aves Marinas en la Pesca con Palangre (PAI-Aves).

Memorandum de entendimiento entre La Organización Latinoamericana de Desarrollo Pesquero y La Secretaría para el Acuerdo Sobre la Conservación de Albatros y Petreles.

**Summary of Content:**

The IPOA-Seabirds sets out the actions to be taken to reduce/eliminate the incidental take of seabirds in longline fishing operations.

The MoU between ACAP and OLDEPESCA states:

OLDEPESCA and the ACAP Secretariat may consult, cooperate and collaborate with each other on areas of common interest that are directly or indirectly relevant to the conservation, including the protection and management, of albatrosses and petrels, including:

- a) development of systems for collecting and analysing data, and exchanging information concerning the bycatch of albatrosses and petrels in OLDEPESCA'S Convention Area;
- b) exchange of information regarding management approaches relevant to the conservation of albatrosses and petrels;
- c) implementation of education and awareness programmes for fishers who operate in areas where albatrosses and petrels may be encountered;
- d) design, testing and implementation of albatross and petrel bycatch mitigation measures relevant to fishing operations in OLDEPESCA'S Convention Area;
- e) development of training programmes on conservation techniques and measures to mitigate threats affecting albatrosses and petrels; and
- f) exchange of expertise, techniques and knowledge relevant to the conservation of albatrosses and petrels in OLDEPESCA'S Convention Area and
- g) reciprocal participation with observer status at the relevant meetings of ACAP and OLDEPESCA.

### **Outcome**

The meeting approved the signing of the MoU between ACAP and OLDEPESCA.

### **Outlook for Future ACAP Involvement:**

OLDEPESCA is the preeminent international fisheries management organisation in Latin America and consequently has a significant potential to assist ACAP in the implementation of its objective. Close collaboration should be maintained on issues of mutual benefit to both organisations.

### **Recommended Actions for ACAP:**

Keep under review issues being addressed by OLDEPESCA and provide assistance/information as appropriate.

**Have relevant papers been forwarded to Secretariat:** Yes