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The Committee has adopted the report by Dominique Souchet (I-EN, F) on the introduction of monitoring measures to enforce measures adopted by the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT). The aim of the ICCAT is to ensure the conservation and management of tuna and similar species in the Atlantic and neighbouring seas. Conservation and management measures adopted by the ICCAT are binding on all contracting parties. Any vessel fishing in a manner which conflicts with the ICCAT's conservation measures compromises the effectiveness of these measures and creates an unfair situation in relation to the vessels which do observe them.