

RESOLUTION A/3.1
**AMENDMENT OF THE ANNEX 2 TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION OF CETACEANS OF THE BLACK SEA,
MEDITERRANEAN SEA AND CONTIGUOUS ATLANTIC AREA,
RELATED TO THE USE OF DRIFT NETS**

Recalling the conditions of the paragraph “a” of the subsections 1 and 4 of the article X, and connected to the amendments methods of the Agreement and of its appendices.

Recalling the conditions of the paragraph “a” of the subsection 1 of the conservation plan subject of the appendix 2 of the Agreement inviting Parties, to forbid to their fishing boats, to fish with one or many mesh and drift nets from which the individual or cumulative length exceeds 2.5 kilometres.”

Worried by the fact that this device is still under use in the agreement’s area on the contrary of the measures of conservation adopted to an international and regional level;

Reminding the Scientific Committee conclusions pointing out the ban on use of mesh and drift nets which represent serious threats for the cetacean population in the Agreement area;

Bearing in mind that the Scientific Committee recommends to forbid the use of mesh and drift nets whatever can be their size in the Agreement area;

1. The Parties agree on what follows:

The paragraph 1 of the conservation plan, object of the appendix 2 of the Agreement here above aimed is abrogated and replace by the following conditions:

Paragraph “a” (new one) work out and implement measures to minimize the fishing negative effects on the conservation of cetacean. Most particularly, no vessels will be authorized to keep on board or to use any drift nets.