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The Committee shall be tasked with providing the Commission with information, advice and recommendations necessary to give effect to Articles X, XXI, XXII and XXIV of the Convention.

2. The Committee's terms of reference will be:

- (i) review and assess compliance by Contracting Parties with conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission;
- (ii) review the implementation of conservation and management measures, as appropriate, by non-Contracting Parties which have agreed to apply such measures;
- (iii) provide technical advice and recommendations on means to promote the effective implementation of and compliance with conservation and management measures;
- (iv) review and analyse information pertaining to activities of Contracting Parties and non-Contracting Parties which undermine the objectives of the Convention, including in particular IUU fishing, and recommend actions to be taken by the Commission to discourage such activities;
- (v) review the operation of, and recommend priorities of and improvements to, the System of Inspection and the Scheme of International Scientific Observation;
- (vi) exchange information with the Scientific Committee and its subsidiary bodies as well as SCAF, as appropriate, on matters of relevance for the exercise of their respective functions;
- (vii) provide the Commission with recommendations on appropriate interaction with other fisheries management, technical or scientific organisations on matters of relevance to the effective implementation of, and compliance with, conservations and management measures; and
- (viii) perform such other functions consistent with its terms of reference as the Commission may decide.

[Organisation

1. SCIC would create such working groups / subcommittees as it saw fit, for example:
 - (i) a [Working Group / Subcommittee] on observation and inspection to review item (v);]
 - (ii) an [ad hoc Working Group / Subcommittee] on [CDS / Compliance with Conservation Measures] under TOR [paragraph (iv) / paragraphs (i) to (iv)].
2. [All Working Groups / Subcommittees] would prepare a report for consideration by SCIC at its meeting. The TOR and Agendas for the [Working Groups / Subcommittees] would be set by SCIC, along with decisions about meeting frequency, duration etc.
3. [Working Groups / Subcommittees] would have convenors/chairpersons and rapporteurs, and Secretarial support as appropriate. Funding would be determined by the Commission.
4. The work of SCIC would therefore be considerably simplified and its agenda would be revised according to the new terms of reference.