

12 July 2018

**IOTC CIRCULAR  
2018-32**

Dear Sir/Madam

**COMMUNICATION FROM AUSTRALIA TO CLARIFY CIRCULAR 2018-31**

Please find attached a communication from Australia providing clarity on Circular 2018-31.

Yours sincerely



Christopher O'Brien  
Executive Secretary

**Attachments:**

- Letter from Australia

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Dear IOTC Members

*Re: IOTC Circular 2018-31 – A Letter from the IOTC Small Drafting Group on Executive Recruitment – Talking Points relating to the selection of the IOTC Executive Secretary.*

Australia would like to clarify that the information provided under IOTC Circular 2018-31 relating to the process for the recruitment of the IOTC Executive Secretary are Australia's position as Chair of the Small Drafting Group. The matter has not been agreed by the Small Drafting Group.

I trust that this information will still be of assistance for those wishing to use it.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jenny Baldwin'.

Ms Jenny Baldwin  
Director  
Regional and Multilateral Fisheries Section  
Department of Agriculture and Water Resources  
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