

## RESOLUTION X – REPUBLIC OF GUINEA BISSAU

THEME : 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

CONCERN : FISC (FISHERIES INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION COMMITTEE) TO COMBAT ILLEGAL FISHING

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

Notes	that illegal fishing causes around USD 50 billion in economic losses every year, making it the third most lucrative ecological crime after illegal logging and illegal mining,
Emphasises	that USD 6 billion in the AESAN region alone and USD 2.3 billion in the Gulf of Guinea are lost annually through illegal fishing and that more and more fishermen are resorting to illegal means,
Is concerned	that illegal fishing not only causes major economic losses, but also leads to a sharp reduction in fish stocks in the long term, which contributes to the depletion of one of the most important sources of food for many people,
Is alarmed	that no effective measures have yet been taken and that people in the countries concerned are suffering from consequences such as food shortages and famine,
Recalls	that the EU, as one of the largest players in fisheries with a total of around 80,000 fishing vessels, has committed itself to putting an end to illegal fishing by 2020, but that no improvements have yet been seen;
Decides	to establish the WTO-funded Fisheries International Supervision Committee (FISC), which is responsible for combating illegal fishing and identifying the countries affected by illegal fishing;
Establishes	that this organisation shall set up at least one control and advisory station in each country concerned to support the local fisheries control authorities in order to effectively curb illegal fishing.

*The german text is binding.*