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## The Basic Position of Chinese Side

China attaches great importance to and severely combats relevant maritime transnational crime.





China attaches great importance to and adhere to fulfill the goal of sustainable development of fishery resources, and firmly object IUU fishing.



## How to tackle IUU fishing in a better and more normative way?

A comparatively regular mechanism for combating IUU fishing and it management has been formed and recognized by the International community currently.

The vitality of law and system lies in enforcement. We should give priortity to the implementation of current system and arrangement. INTERNATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION TO PREVENT, DETER AND ELIMINATE ILLEGAL, UNREPORTED AND UNREGULATED FISHING

We need to form a correct know ledge of IUU fishing and aviod the expansion of IUU concept.



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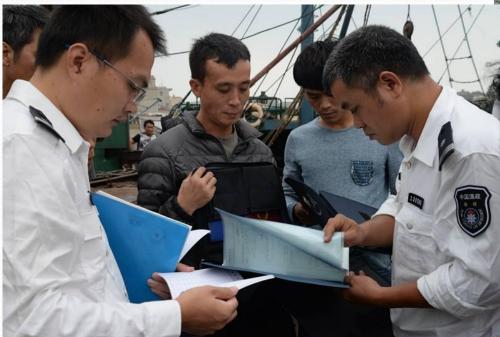
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The essence of IUU fishing is a fishery management issue and it should be differentiated from criminal activities.





Avoid excessive use of force in the law enforcement Process.





Fishing in disputed waters should not be deemed equal to IUU fishing.



### The Cases of Combating IUU fishing by China

Chinese government took "zero-tolerance" attitude to severely crack down any forms of illegal behaviors.

China joined into 7 regional Fisheries Management organizations, it covered all the footprint of Chinese fishing vessels on the high seas.

#### Bilateral fishery talks & Fishery cooperation Projects





#### Cases:

# 3 Chinese fishing vessels haven't registered on the WCPFC.

# Chinese relevant department conducted port inspection over a cold-storage boat entering Chinese port suspected of illegally transshipping Patagonian Toothfish.

# Thank you!