

**Request for Advisory Opinion
submitted by the Sub-Regional Fisheries Commission**

**QUESTIONS TO THE SUB-REGIONAL FISHERIES
COMMISSION BY INDIVIDUAL JUDGES**

Judge Cot

1. The Sub-Regional Fisheries Commission relies on the MCA Convention of 8 June 2012 in submitting to the Tribunal a request for advisory opinion. It has put four questions. Could the Sub-Regional Fisheries Commission cite for us the article or articles of the MCA Convention corresponding to each of the four questions?

Judge Pawlak

2. Is the term “flag State” used in the first question intended to encompass all flag States or only those whose fishing vessels are operating in the exclusive economic zones within the framework of the MCA Convention?

Judge Gao

3. Would it be possible for the Sub-Regional Fisheries Commission to provide the Tribunal with additional information and materials upon which the four questions are formulated and put forward for an advisory opinion? This further relevant documentation may include the following categories:

- International agreements concluded with the flag States and other relevant international agencies;
- National reports on IUU fishing activities and damages and losses suffered from these activities;
- And last but not least, existing regulatory and enforcement measures against IUU fishing.