

**UNITED STATES - IMPORT PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN SHRIMP
AND SHRIMP PRODUCTS**

REPORT OF THE PANEL

Corrigendum

Document WT/DS58/R should be amended as follows:

1. Cover page: the second sentence should read: "... The report is being circulated as an unrestricted document from 15 May 1998 ...".
2. Paragraph 1.6: after Hong Kong, add "(since 1 July 1997, "Hong Kong, China")".
3. Paragraph 3.40: read "Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the UNCLOS relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks (1995)", instead of "UN Convention on Straddling Fish Stock and Highly Migratory Species".
4. Paragraph 3.85: "US\$600-700" instead of "US\$60-700".
5. Footnote 378: "16 June 1994" instead of "10 June 1994".
6. Paragraph 4.13, 10th line: "... could harm turtles" and not "... could harm shrimp".
7. Footnote 380: "16 June 1994" instead of "10 June 1994".
8. Paragraph 4.29, 7th line: "... Vienna Convention".
9. Footnote 384: "p. 30" and not "p. 18".
10. Footnote 389: "BISD 37S/200".
11. Paragraph 5.298, 4th line: "...gill netting" and not "gill nesting".
12. Paragraph 5.301, 3rd line: "refuge" instead of "refuse".
13. Paragraph 5.309, 8th line: replace "pages 1-10" with "paragraphs 1-53"; and "Annex I" with "Annex II".
14. Footnote 428: "... *Plan*..." and not "... *Plane*...".
15. Footnote 440: "para. 5.256" and not "para. 5.21".
16. Paragraph 5.333, 4th sentence: this sentence should start "Dr. Frazier [footnote] cites ...".
17. Paragraph 5.334, 1st line: delete "that".
18. Paragraph 5.338, 3rd line: delete the 3rd word ("that"); on 10th line, add "to" between "shrimpers" and "the mandatory...".
19. Footnote 469: "*Are TEDs Coming Off?*"
20. Paragraph 5.343, 2nd line: "(Annex II, Appendix 1)".
21. Paragraph 5.353, 1st sentence: add "not" between "is" and "done".
22. Paragraph 5.364, 2nd line: "sandy" instead of "candy".
23. Paragraph 7.5, 12th line: "...would not require TEDs..." instead of "... would require TEDs...".
24. Paragraph 7.37: the quotation should read "Articles XX and XI:2(c)(i) ...".
25. Paragraph 7.48, 4th line: delete "(hereinafter "CIT")". The use of CIT as an acronym for Court of International Trade is already mentioned on paragraph 7.4.
26. Paragraph 7.58, 7th line: "...nature of the species of sea turtles mentioned in Appendix I..." (not "Annex I").
27. Paragraph 5.348, Table 1: new table (see next page).

Table I
Anthropogenic threat to sea turtle species along the coast of Pakistan

| Threat | Status |
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| Habitat alteration and loss | |
| Beach armouring (e.g. concrete sea wall) | No sea wall is constructed along nesting beaches. |
| Beach nourishment/sand mining | No sand mining or beach nourishment is done along the coast of Pakistan especially no beach alteration on sea turtle nesting areas. |
| Beach cleaning and beach driving | No beach cleaning is done in Pakistan except for some environmental beach cleaning done by school children on rare occasion to remove debris and solid wastes. But such cleaning do not affect turtles. Beach driving is not done on nesting areas because most of them are not accessible. |
| Human presence on beach | Population in general do not go to beaches frequently. Only on holidays the number of persons visiting various beaches reaches a few thousands otherwise in a normal working day only a few hundred people visit the beaches for recreation purposes. Along the coast of Sandspits, Hawks Bay and Paradise Point, private huts were constructed mainly in 1960's and 1970's. A number of these huts have collapsed except those which are renovated regularly. These beach huts are used by picnickers on holidays. These, however, do not seem to be a threat to turtle population and nesting areas because they are located only on a few beaches, also not inhabited except on holidays and mostly located above high water mark in sand berm areas. |
| Artificial lights | Not used along sea coast. |
| Dredging and explosive platform | No such activities in Pakistan, especially along turtle nesting beaches. |
| Boat strikes | No report of boat strikes with turtles from Pakistan. Only a few speed boats in Pakistan which are not operated in turtle areas. |
| Feral and domestic animal predation at rookeries | Feral dogs are reported to dig out recently laid eggs of turtles on some beaches along Karachi coast. Sindh Wildlife Department with help of municipal agencies regularly carry out elimination of pye dogs from important turtle beaches. However, it is not a serious threat to turtle nesting. |
| Oil pollution | Most of the turtle nesting beaches are located West of Karachi, therefore, not affected from oil pollution generated from Karachi and other ports (because circulation in most parts of the years remain clockwise). Tar balls are found on sandy beaches. But since no major oil spill has occurred in the area, therefore, oil pollution seemingly a threat to turtle nesting beaches. Those turtle found in sea are also not affected because oil pollution is not a major problem in the area. |

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| Other pollution sources and entanglement | |
| Debris ingestion | A few reports of debris ingestion report. This problem seems not to be serious at present. |
| Entanglement | No record on any turtle entanglement in debris and solid waste materials. May however, occur if level of such pollutants increase in sea. |
| Fishing and incidental capture | |
| Shrimp trawling | Not a threat because of small mouth opening of shrimping net, short duration of operation, location of shrimping ground in muddy cum sandy areas (not a turtle habitat) and use of manual retrieval system (vs. mechanical retrieval system in other parts of world such as in United States). |
| Pelagic fishing gears | No record of mortality from any other pelagic fishing gears. Encircling nets are used for catching sardinellas and anchovies but because of the their mode of operation these do not pose any threat to turtle population. |
| Gill nets | Major fisheries along the coast of Pakistan. However, seldom any record of turtle in the nets. If a turtle is found in the net, it is released immediately. |
| Traditional and commercial fishing | |
| Egg harvests (legal or illegal) | No harvesting of eggs in Pakistan. |
| Adult harvest (legal or illegal) | No legal or illegal harvesting of adult turtle. Considered to religiously forbidden. |
