

34th Session of the FAO Committee on Fisheries

Comments from Mexico

Item 6

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- Mexico expresses its appreciation to the Sub-Committee on Fish Trade for the comprehensive report presented.
- On 30 December 2020, the 2020-2024 Agriculture and Rural Development Programme was published in the national Official Journal. The Programme defines policies contributing to the rescue of the agricultural, fisheries, and aquaculture sectors and the goal of achieving food self-sufficiency to ensure the right to nutritious, sufficient, and quality food.
- For Mexico's new government, fisheries and aquaculture activities are a determining factor for food security. Therefore, the government seeks to strengthen public policy actions and programmes to foster production, mainly in the coasts and inland waters, aquaculture farms, and productive units of rural communities in the country's southeast.
- Mexico reiterates its position of facilitating the free commercialization of products and merchandise, without any obstacle and protectionist measures, to strengthen the global fisheries and aquaculture sector.
- Mexico urged in the different forums that maintain its presence to consider the promotion of a free of barriers trade following internationally agreed trade agreements and without protectionist measures.