

Tuna and Dolphins: What Led to the GATT Decision

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- I. Through Dolphins to the Tuna
 - a. _____ Net Fishing Method
 - b. Caught both Tuna and Dolphins
 - c. Dolphins didn't survive
- II. Bigger Profits, Less Dolphins
 - a. Puertic Hydraulic Power Blocks
 - b. Mechanical Changes that increased dolphin mortality rate
 1. _____
 2. Fixed wing planes
- III. Protesting the Fishermen
 - a. Fishermen tried reversing the death rate
 1. Lowered but not enough
 - b. Public gets involved
 - c. Congress Passes _____
- IV. Effects of the Mammal Protection Act of 1972
 - a. Intended to reduce the number of dolphins killed
 - b. Total number of dolphins killed didn't decline
- V. U.S. Places Tuna Embargoes
 - a. Kill rates of the importing countries did not exceed 2 times the taking rate of US fleet in 1989 and 1.25 times US rate in 1990
 - b. Not meeting requirements = _____
 - c. 1990-1991 US implemented tuna embargoes on Mexico, Venezuela, Ecuador, Panama and Vanatu
- VI. After the Embargoes
 - a. Ecuador and Panama complied with US standards
 1. Embargoes were lifted
 - b. _____
 1. Kill an estimated 50,000 dolphin per year.
 - c. 1991 → GATT determine the legality of the US embargoes on tuna imports
 1. Per request of Mexico
- VII. Legal Action Taken
 - a. The _____ bans the importation of dolphin, tuna that is harmful to dolphins, and threatens sanctions on shrimp imports as retaliation for excessive dolphin kill rates.
 - b. Mexico and the EC claim that they have lost a significant percentage of their trade due to the tuna bans.
 - c. Since Mexico did not change its fishing practices therefore it will continue to kill approximately 50,000 dolphins per year
 - d. Tuna are already over fished in many of the world's oceans. Some demand could switch the like products
- VIII. U.S. Standards

- a. The U.S. created standards for the exporting of tuna.
 - b. The U.S. violated Article XI of GATT which led to _____ the case
 - c. U.S. claimed that the restrictions were internal regulations
- IX. Mexico Wins the Case
- a. The MMPA import standards were too “_____” to be embargoes when they were enacted by Congress.
 - b. The tuna originated from Mexico
 - 1. Not under the _____ of the United States.
 - c. Lastly, the panel agreed that the United States did not meet the requirements for exceptions
 - d. However, the panel did uphold the United States’ Pelly Amendment and the Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act (DPCIA).
- X. Current Controversy
- a. Better training and _____ have led to much lower dolphin deaths
 - 1. 1990 to 2003 dolphin deaths have gone from around 100,000 to around 2,000
 - b. Under an international agreement between Central and South American governments, each boat is permitted to kill a certain low number of dolphins.
 - 1. If a boat hits its quota before the year is over, it must _____ for the rest of the year.