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<u>Abstract</u>

IUU fishing can no longer be considered purely as a management problem. We need to look at large-scale, damaging IUU fishing as a criminal phenomenon that results in a less secure maritime environment. In order to combat IUU fishing, communication between port states, coastal states and flag states must be improved. Furthermore, the role played by some SOLAS vessels in IUU fishing demonstrates the importance of cooperation between IMO and FAO. And finally, international police c