State of Kuwait is ably implementing conservation measures to protect its marine living resources in accordance with Kuwait's fishery regulations. Kuwait is the party of the following Conventions and Organizations: • United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (1982) Convention on Biological Diversity, Rio de Janeiro (1992) **Kuwait Regional Convention for Cooperation** on the Protection of Marine Environment from Pollution 1978, entered into force on l July 1979. **Related fisheries** Member of the Regional Commission for Ш Fisheries (RECOFI) since 1999 instruments Member in the GCC (Gulf Cooperation Council since 25 May 1981 Kuwait has not become the party of following Agreements 1993 FAO Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas • 1995 UN Fish Stocks Agreement State of Kuwait is ably implementing its fishery regulations to conserve and protect its marine living resources.

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VIII	Fisheries by-catch and discards	<ul> <li>By-catch reduction in shrimp fishing is one of the important issues in Kuwait fisheries management.</li> <li>Installation of By-catch Reduction Devices (BRDs) and TEDs, in the shrimp trawlers is under active consideration in Kuwait.</li> <li>Issuance of fishing license will be considered only for fishing vessels those fitted with BRDs and TEDs in future.</li> <li>Public Authority of Agriculture Affairs and Fish Resources is planning to utilize the by-catch for producing fish meal and other value added products in Kuwait</li> </ul>	
IX	Sub-regional and regional cooperation	State of Kuwait will always be the front runner for expedite its commitments towards conservation and protection of its marine living resources in cooperation with the regional organizations such as FAO/RECOFI and Gulf Cooperation Council.	

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XII	Cooperation within the United Nations system	State of Kuwait expedites its obligations and commitments towards these UN Conventions with full hearted efforts and cooperation. Kuwait is the party of the following Convention.  • United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (1982)  • Convention on Biological Diversity, Rio de Janeiro (1992)	
XIII	Activities of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea	Not applicable	
XIII	Sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly	State of Kuwait is aware about the Sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly. The Action taken report of Kuwait on the UN Fish Stock Agreement has been prepared and submitted to the office of the UN Secretary General in response to the Note Reference LOS/FISHERIES/STATES/2012	