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10. The purse seine fishery in exclusive economic zones and on the high seas in the area bounded by 20 degrees N and 20 degrees south shall be closed between [0000 hours on 1 August and 2400 hours on September 30]. During this period all purse vessels will cease fishing and return directly to port. During this period, a vessel may only leave port and engage in fishing operations if the vessel carries on board an observer from the Regional Observer Program to monitor that at no time does the vessel deploy or service any FAD or associated electronic devices or fish on schools in association with floating objects.