MEMORANDUM

TO: All MBF Students

FROM: MBF Academic Committee

SUBJECT: ILTTA Research Fellowship Competition for 2009

The MBF Academic Committee is pleased to announce a second 2009 ILTTA Research Fellowship competition. The International Light Tackle Tournament Association (ILTTA) provides research awards to M.S. or Ph.D. students working on some aspect of sport fisheries. Applicants should describe how their M.S or PhD project could benefit sport fish species directly or indirectly via prey/predator-interactions, competition for resources, depletion of habitat, etc. Be creative! Applicants must be citizens of one of the member countries (USA, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Curacao, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Brazil, South Africa, Tahiti, and Aruba). Fellowships can be awarded as a lump sum to be used by the students as necessary. Preference will be given to applicants in good standing and applicants who have not previously received an ILTTA fellowship. Awards up to $2000 will be given this year. If you previously submitted your application in April 2009 you will be eligible to re-submit your application.

Application packages must include:

- A statement of maximum 300 words from the applicant describing how the project meets the guidelines of the fellowship, including a summary of relevant research completed to date.

- A budget outlining how the funds will be used.

- A current Curriculum Vitae (maximum 2 pages).

- A letter of support from the student's major advisor.

Deadline for submission: Application materials must be received by Cary Rios, MBF Academic Secretary (MBF Division Office, ext.5-4920), no later than 5:00pm, October 26th, 2009