

**JOINT IATTC AND WCPFC-NC WORKING GROUP MEETING ON THE  
MANAGEMENT OF PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA  
SEVENTH SESSION (JWG-07)**

**ELECTRONIC MEETING**  
09:00-13:00, Japan Standard Time  
12-14 July 2022

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**REPORT ON CMM 2021-02 (PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA)**

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**PHILIPPINES**

## **Conservation and Management Measure 2020-02**

### **CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA**

#### **Annual Report**

The Philippines does not conduct fishing activities targeting Pacific bluefin tunas in the area north of 20° N. However, in some years, there are by-catches of Pacific Bluefin tunas in areas south of 20° N. These fishing vessels utilize handline/hook-and-line fishing gears. For 2021, the Philippines has recorded 2 pcs (220kg and 270kg) of PBFT catches in Infanta, Quezon. Philippines has improved its catch documentation mechanisms to monitor all tuna landings throughout the country.

**Compiled Information on Pacific Bluefin Tuna  
(Fishing Effort and Catch)**

**Table 1. Fishing effort by vessels fishing for Pacific bluefin tuna in the area north of 20° N in the Convention Area**

Fishery	Unit of fishing effort (e.g., sets, fishing days, vessels)	2002	2003	2004	2018	2019	2020	2021
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

**Table 2. Catches (mt), including discards, of Pacific bluefin tuna *in the Convention Area***

Year	2002		2003		2004		2018		2019		2020		2021	
Fishery	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg	<30kg	≥30kg
Handline								2 pcs (~250 kgs + ~215 kgs)	0	0	0	2 pcs (~300 kgs + ~220 kgs)	0	2 pcs (~220 kgs + ~270 kgs)