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DRAFT IUU VESSEL LIST AND CURRENT WCPFC IUU VESSEL LIST

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Purpose

1. This paper presents the current WCPFC IUU Vessel List for the consideration and decision of TCC18.

Background

2. The Conservation and Management Measure to Establish a List of Vessels Presumed to Have Carried Out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing Activities in the WCPO (CMM 2019-07¹) requires the Executive Director to prepare a draft IUU Vessel List based on information received from Members, Cooperating Non-Members and Participating Territories (CCMs) at least 70 days before the annual meeting of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC).
3. CMM 2019-07 paragraph 6 also requires the Executive Director to transmit the draft IUU Vessel List, together with all the supporting evidence provided, to all CCMs, as well as to non-CCMs with vessels on the list, at least 55 days before the annual meeting of the TCC.

Vessels presumed to have undertaken IUU activity

4. As advised in WCPFC Circular 2022/55, there were no submissions received by the Secretariat of presumed IUU vessels, so there are no vessels to be included on a draft IUU Vessel List pursuant to CMM 2019-07.

¹ The Seventh Regular Session of the Commission (WCPFC7) adopted Conservation and Management Measure 2010-06 (CMM 2010-06) entitled ‘Conservation and Management Measure to Establish a List of Vessels Presumed to Have Carried Out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing Activities in the WCPO’ (which replaced CMM 2007-03). The Sixteenth Regular Session of the Commission (WCPFC16) adopted CMM 2019-07 which amends CMM 2010-06.

Current WCPFC IUU Vessel List

5. The WCPFC IUU Vessel List for 2022 maintains those vessels from the previous year's list.

6. On 14 February 2022, the Executive Director wrote to all CCMs and relevant RFMOs to request information about the vessels on the WCPFC IUU Vessel List. No new information was received in responses to the Executive Director's letter. A copy of the WCPFC IUU Vessel List is posted on the WCPFC website at <https://www.wcpfc.int/wcpfc-iuu-vessel-list> and is provided in **Annex 1**.

Recommendation

<p>7. TCC18 is invited, pursuant to CMM 2019-07, to recommend, as appropriate, any proposed changes to the WCPFC IUU Vessel List 2022.</p>
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WCPFC IUU VESSEL LIST FOR 2022

(Effective from 6 February 2022: WCPFC19 agreed to maintain the WCPFC IUU list for 2021 as the WCPFC IUU list for 2022)

Note: Information provided in this list is in accordance with CMM 2019-07 para 19 and WCPFC13 decisions

Current name of vessel (previous names)	Current flag (previous flags)	Date first included on WCPFC IUU Vessel List ²	Flag State Registration Number/ IMO Number	Call Sign (previous call signs)	Vessel Master (nationality)	Owner/beneficial owners (previous owners)	Notifying CCM	IUU activities
Neptune	<i>unknown</i> (Georgia)	10 Dec. 2010	M-00545	<i>unknown</i> (4LOG)		Space Energy Enterprises Co. Ltd.	France	Fishing on the high seas of the WCPFC Convention Area without being on the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels (CMM 2007-03-para 3a)
Fu Lien No 1	<i>unknown</i> (Georgia)	10 Dec. 2010	M-01432 IMO No 7355662	<i>unknown</i> (4LIN2)		Fu Lien Fishery Co., Georgia	United States	Is without nationality and harvested species covered by the WCPFC Convention in the Convention Area (CMM 2007-03, para 3h)
Yu Fong 168	<i>unknown</i> (Chinese Taipei)	11 Dec. 2009		BJ4786	Mr Jang Faa Sheng (Chinese Taipei)	Chang Lin Pao-Chun, 161 Sanmin Rd., Liouciuo Township, Pingtung County 929, Chinese Taipei	Marshall Islands	Fishing in the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Republic of the Marshall Islands without permission and in contravention of Republic of the Marshall Islands's laws and regulations. (CMM 2007-03, para 3b)

² **Supplementary note:** In October 2015, the Executive Director wrote to: Chinese Taipei and Georgia requesting information on their vessel/s on the WCPFC IUU list, and to other RFMOs (CCAMLR, CCSBT, IATTC, ICCAT, IOTC, NPAFC & SPRFMO) to seek their cooperation with locating the vessels on the list. Georgia confirmed that the vessels **Neptune** and **Fu Lien No 1** were no longer flying the Georgia flag. Chinese Taipei confirmed the **Yu Fong 168** license was revoked in 2009 and the vessel owner financially penalized for violating the rules of not returning to port. Chinese Taipei further advised information was received from Thailand's notification to IOTC that the vessel landed their catches in the port of Phuket in the year 2013. On 17 November 2017, Chinese Taipei informed WCPFC that the **Yu Fong 168** had been deregistered by Chinese Taipei. On 29 April 2020, WCPFC received further information from Chinese Taipei identifying the master of the **Yu Fong 168** at the time of the IUU fishing activity who had been sanctioned.