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PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE WCPFC STANDING COMMITTEE OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

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Submitted By FFA Members

- 1. The Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) established the standing Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) as a subsidiary body pursuant to Article 11 paragraph 6 of the Convention on the Conservation and management of highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and central Pacific Ocean at WCPFC3, Apia, Samoa. The purpose of the FAC is to provide advice and recommendations to the Commission on matters related to the budget, finance and administration of the Commission.
- 2. Membership of the FAC shall be open to each member of the Commission and Participating territories. A quorum for the FAC shall be 10 Committee members, that shall include five members from the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency, and five non-members of the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency.
- 3. The FAC shall elect from among its members <u>two co-Chairs</u> who <u>each</u> shall serve for a term of two years and shall be eligible for reelection for one additional term.
- 4. The FAC shall <u>initially convene</u> in the day or days prior to the commencement of the Annual Regular Session of the Commission. If necessary, sessions of FAC may be continued or convened during a regular session of the Commission or intersessionally, <u>subject to Rule 1 of the WCPFC Rules of Procedure</u>, <u>Funding shall be accorded to finance the travel and subsistence for one representative from each developing State Party to the Convention that has indicated 30 days in advance of its intention to participate in the session of the FAC.</u>
- 5. The FAC shall adopt a summary report of each of its meetings by consensus for transmission to the Commission. The report may note reservations of individual members under extraordinary circumstances.
- 6. The <u>FAC</u> may consider developing its rules of procedure, <u>which must be agreed by the Commission</u>, taking into consideration the rules of procedure of other subsidiary bodies of the Commission.

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