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Summary:

Statistical document and catch document has different objectives. The former intends to obtain relevant information on IUU fishing through trade data; the latter tries to verify all the reported catches on near real time basis. As far as current situation of WCPFC concerned, there is no immediate need for the Commission to introduce the catch documentation scheme which requires comprehensive coverage over all fisheries, because no TAC and its allocation system were established. Statistical Document Program will pinpoint the area of concern, i.e., IUU fishing activities, with less transaction costs and burden for fishermen and government authority than catch documentation. In order to urgently address IUU fishing on bigeye, Statistical Document Program is the internationally established tool, which only WCPFC has yet to adopt.

1. Introduction

At the 2nd regular session of the Commission, which was held in December 2005, some members expressed concerns relating to the Japanese proposal on the Statistical Document Program for bigeye tuna because it requires the documentation against the products subject to international trade only, rather than all the catches including those for domestic markets. Some members think that catch documentation scheme which covers all the catches including those for domestic markets may be relevant. Because of different views expressed among the members in this respect, the Commission agreed to defer consideration of this proposal to the 3rd session in 2006.

Since Japan's basic position on this item remain unchanged, Japan is planning to re-submit its proposal on bigeye statistical document program at the 3rd session of the Commission for adoption. In order to obtain understanding among the members, Japan prepared this explanatory notes to illustrate why statistical document program is needed for WCPFC by comparing suitability and feasibility of a catch documentation scheme with those of statistical document program.

2. Current situation of other RFMOs

All tuna RFMOs other than WCPFC (ICCAT, IATTC, IOTC, and CCSBT) already developed and implemented the statistical documentation program on their target species. On the other hand, CCAMLR has its own catch documentation scheme on Patagonian toothfish. In order for the members to further consider this issue, the backgrounds, objectives and technicalities for these schemes introduced by these RFMOs should be fully

examined.

As for Tuna and Tuna-like species, ICCAT has the longest period of experience in developing and implementing such statistical documentation. In 1993, ICCAT started the Statistical Document Program for frozen bluefin tuna. This Program obliges Parties of ICCAT to require their importers of bluefin tuna to submit the documents issued by the flag state of the vessel which validate necessary information on the products (e.g., flag state, name of the vessel, area of harvest, and quantity of harvest). It should be noted that statistical document itself is not in itself a trade restrictive measure but merely a requirement of information upon international trade.

The main objective of the Program was to collect information, through trade data, on the catch of bluefin tuna in particular by non-Parties of the ICCAT; catch data of the Parties are already collected and reported respectively to the Scientific Committee of ICCAT. Since ICCAT was unable to legally obligate non-members to submit its detailed catch data, and most of the bluefin catch was exported to foreign market, information obtained through international trade was effective and valuable tool for the Commission to obtain catch data of non-Parties. In fact, almost all the bluefin tuna products harvested by IUU fishing were destined to the Japanese sashimi market, information on IUU fishing was effectively extracted by Japan through the Program and shared by the Members.

Later, taking account of technical feasibility, ICCAT expanded the Program, to fresh bluefin tuna and other species such as fresh/frozen swordfish and frozen bigeye tuna. Based on information collected by the Program, ICCAT developed additional measures against IUU fishing activities such as trade restrictive measures and positive vessel listing scheme in conformity with international laws. Similar programs to ICCAT Statistical Document were also developed and implemented by the other tuna RFMOs: IOTC and IATTC for frozen bigeye; CCSBT for frozen and fresh southern bluefin tuna. These facts mean that statistical document program is already internationally established tool and constituted as one of the basic prerequisite for tuna RFMOs to combat IUU fishing.

The Catch Documentation Scheme, developed and implemented by CCAMLR in 2000, has similar objective to collect information on the catch by non-Parties as well as Parties of CCAMLR, keeping transparency of catch amount reported among them. These features of the scheme are closely related to its resource management measure introduced by CCAMLR. CCAMLR sets TACs for toothfish in each region in the Convention area without quota allocation to each Party. Catch information is centralized to the Secretariat and closely monitored so that it can announce the timing of closure to Parties when total catch is expected to reach the limit of TACs.

In order to implement such measures effectively, workable verification system for catch report by the Parties is essential. The master of the vessel should complete catch document when it lands or transships its products; then, the flag state will provide the information of these document to the Secretariat. Landing, transshipment and import without catch document is prohibited by the Parties.

Because of the need to verify the information in a timely and comprehensive manner, it is easily assumed that catch documentation scheme put considerable burden to legitimate fishing activities by duly authorized fishermen of the Parties as well as to the authorities of the Parties that responsible for the management. As far as CCAMLR concerned, it seemed to have reasonable ground to introduce comprehensive catch documentation scheme in order to verify the catch data reported on real-time basis. In terms of its technical feasibility, since type of fishing vessel for toothfish is almost uniform (i.e., large-scale longline) and total vessel numbers is substantially limited (about 200), CCAMLR could overcome such technical difficulties in order to manage the resource.

3. Feasibility and suitability of documentation schemes for WCPFC

(1) Objectives

Main objective of the Japanese proposal is to combat IUU fishing, not necessarily to verify catch data. As was noted, IUU fishing activity is the common problem for all the tuna RFMOs including WCPFC. Various stakeholders are making every effort to prevent, deter and eliminate IUU fishing on tuna and tuna-like species. Precise information on the vessels

engaging in IUU fishing activities is critically necessary for a RFMO to consider and develop measures to combat against IUU fishing. As was stated, statistical document program is the tool for this purpose.

Taking advantage of their statistical document programs, all other tuna RFMOs have positive listing measures, by which they could prevent the products caught by IUU vessels from entering into Parties' markets by refusing acceptance of the statistical documents issued for the vessels that are not on the list of vessels authorized to fish in their Convention Areas (positive list).

The important objective of a catch documentation scheme is to verify and secure transparency of catch statistics by all the fisheries of all the flags. It should be noted, however, that this is not critically required for WCPFC at this stage: WCPFC did not introduce TAC scheme without quota allocation which CCAMLR did. Therefore, the Commission is unable to refer to the case of CCAMLR as a reasonable analogy in introducing catch documentation scheme for WCPFC.

(2) Technicalities

Technical and administrative feasibilities are another aspect to be well considered by the Commission. The amounts of catches of tuna species (e.g., bigeye: 120,000 ton, yellowfin: 400,000 ton) are quite larger than that of toothfish (34,000 ton). In addition, these tuna species are harvested by far larger number of vessels (well over 5,000) and wider variety of fishing vessels and gears (see Table below). In administrative and technical senses, it is almost impossible for the Commission to oblige all the fishing vessels and gears, including those of small-scale fishers in developing nations, to obtain catch documentation.

In addition, catch documentation scheme puts considerable burden to legitimate fishing activities by duly authorized fishermen of the Parties. Transaction cost for this scheme is considerably high not only for the fishermen but also for the government authorities that have to issue catch documentation upon request. WCPFC does not have such background and urgent need as CCAMLR had. Catch documentation scheme is merely a duplication of collection of catch data.

As for the collection of catch data including those for domestic market, each members need to consider other available means as a separate issue. In fact, member nations are employing other tools such as periodical reporting system and wholesale market information, in order to fulfill their reporting requirements. Catch documentation scheme may be one of the options for this purpose, but because of these problems its needs, applicability and feasibility should be fully clarified.

(3) Scope and Target species of the program

Taking into consideration the needs and realities, WCPFC documentation scheme, if introduced, should target the species whose stock statuses are concerned about and being considerably exploited due to IUU fishing. In WCPFC, bigeye has the highest priority for adoption of the scheme.

It should be noted that all the Statistical Document Programs adopted by the other tuna RFMOs applied to frozen bigeye caught by longline vessels and not applied to purse seine and other fisheries. This is because frozen bigeye is the item pinpointed for IUU longline vessels equipped with ultra-low temperature freezer for Japanese market and purse seine is a mixed fishery and fish species are impossible to be identified at the time of catch and thus impossible to validate statistical documents. As long as the Commission's target is confined to IUU fishing, the statistical document program for frozen bigeye would cover the major concern.

4. Japanese proposal

Taking into consideration the situation mentioned above, Japan believes that it is appropriate to consider again at WCPFC3 for adoption and implementation of the Bigeye Statistical Document Program in order for WCPFC to keep compatibility and consistency of measures against IUU fishing activities throughout the oceans. Moreover, WCPFC has yet to complete its positive list; combined with a lack of a statistical document program, the western central Pacific Ocean will be easily abused as a loophole.

Japanese proposal on the Program (Attachment A) is very similar to those adopted by the other RFMOs, which consist of Statistical Document Program and positive listing measure for frozen bigeye to shut out the products caught by IUU vessels from international trade. Members should request importers intended to import frozen bigeye products to submit to a competent authority of that importing member a statistical document validated by the flag state authority, and if the products are identified as catch by unauthorized fishing activity, the Japanese proposal provides members with a legal tool to implement the Commission's requirement to refuse the entry of such products into members' markets.

Table: Difference of characteristics between toothfish and bigeye tuna

	Toothfish	Bigeye
Catch amount	<i>34,000 MT</i>	<i>120,000 MT</i>
Number of vessel	<i>< 30</i>	<i>> 5,000</i>
Gear	<i>LL</i>	<i>LL, PS, PL, etc.</i>
Product type	<i>Frozen</i>	<i>Fresh/Frozen</i>



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The Commission for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPFC):

RECOGNIZING the authority and responsibility of WCPFC to manage bigeye tuna in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPO), at the international level,

RECOGNIZING also the nature of the international market for bigeye tuna,

RECOGNIZING also that there is uncertainty on the catch of bigeye tuna in WCPO and that the availability of trade data would greatly assist in reducing such uncertainty,

RECOGNIZING also that bigeye tuna is the main target species of “flag of convenience” fishing operations and that most of the bigeye tuna harvested by such fishing vessels are exported to Contracting Parties, especially to Japan,

RECALLING that every other international organization responsible for the management of bigeye tuna such as the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) and the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) has established its Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document Program,

RECOGNIZING that the Statistical Document Program is an effective tool to assist the Commission’s effort for the elimination of illegal, unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing operations,

Adopts, in accordance with Article 10 of the Convention that,

1. Each member of the Commission, by March 1, 2006 or as soon as possible thereafter, require that all bigeye tuna, when imported into the territory of the Member of the

Commission, be accompanied by a WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document which meets the requirements described in **Annex 1** or an WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate which meets the requirements described in **Annex 2**. Bigeye tuna caught by purse seiners and baitboats and destined principally for canneries in the Convention Area is not subject to this statistical document requirement. The Commission and the Members of the Commission importing bigeye tuna shall contact all the exporting countries to inform them of this Program in advance of the implementation of the Program.

2. (1) The WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document must be validated by a government official or other authorized individual or institution of the flag State of the vessel that harvested the tuna, or, if the vessel is operating under a charter arrangement, by a government official or other authorized individual of the exporting state, and:
(2) The WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate must be validated by a government official or other authorized individual or institution of the state that re-exported the tuna.
3. Each Member of the Commission shall provide the Executive Director of sample forms of its statistical document and re-export certificate and information on validation in the format specified in **Annex 4**, and inform him of any change in a timely fashion.
4. The Members of the Commission which export or import bigeye tuna shall compile data from the Program.
5. The Members of the Commission which import bigeye tuna shall report the data collected by the Program to the Executive Director each year by April 1 for the period of July 1 - December 31 of the preceding year and by October 1 for the period of January 1 - June 30 of the current year, which shall be circulated to all the Members of the Commission by the Executive Director. The formats of the report are attached as **Annex 3**.
6. The Members of the Commission which export bigeye tuna shall examine export data upon receiving the import data mentioned in paragraph 5 above from the Executive Director, and report the results to the Commission annually.
7. The Members of the Commission should exchange copies of statistical documents and re-export certificates to facilitate the examination mentioned in paragraph 6, consistent with domestic laws and regulations.
8. With respect to bigeye tuna caught by a fishing vessel outside the waters of the national jurisdiction of its flag:
 - i) Flag Members of the Commission shall validate statistical documents only for vessels on the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels,
 - ii) Members of the Commission shall require that bigeye tuna caught by vessels in the WCPO, when imported into the territory of Members of the Commission, be accompanied by statistical documents validated for vessels on the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels.

9. Members of the Commission importing bigeye tuna and the flag States of vessels shall cooperate to ensure the accuracy and legitimacy of statistical documents.
10. The Commission shall request Cooperating non-Members of the Commission to take the measures described in the paragraphs above.
11. The Executive Director shall request information on validation from all the non-Members of the Commission fishing and exporting bigeye tuna to Members of the Commission, and request them to inform him in a timely fashion of any changes to the information provided.
12. The Executive Director shall maintain and update information specified in paragraphs 3 and 11 and provide it to all the Members of the Commission, and promptly circulate any changes.
13. The Commission shall request the non-Members of the Commission which import bigeye tuna to cooperate with implementation of the Program and to provide the Commission of data obtained from such implementation.
14. Implementation of this Program shall be in conformity with relevant international obligations.
15. At the initial stage of the Program, the statistical documents and the re-export certificates will be required for frozen bigeye products only. Prior to implementing this Program for fresh products, several practical problems need to be solved, such as guidelines to ensure procedures to handle fresh products at customs.
16. The statistical documents for bigeye tuna caught by fishing vessels flying the flag of a member state of the European Community may be validated by the competent authorities of the member state whose flag the vessel flies or by those of a different member state where the products are landed, provided that the corresponding quantities of bigeye tuna are exported outside the Community from the territory of the member state of landing.

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**Requirements Concerning
the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document**

1. The sample form of the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document shall be as in the Appendix.
2. Customs or other appropriate government officials will request and inspect all import documentation including the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document for all bigeye tuna in the shipment. Those officials may also inspect the content of each shipment to verify the information on the document.
3. Only complete and valid documents will guarantee that shipments of bigeye tuna will be allowed to enter the territory of Members of the Commission.
4. Shipments of bigeye tuna that are accompanied by improperly documented Bigeye Tuna Statistical Documents (i.e., improperly documented means that the Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document is either missing from the shipment, incomplete, invalid or falsified) will be considered illegitimate shipments of bigeye tuna, that are contrary to WCPFC conservation efforts, and their entry will be suspended (PENDING RECEIPT OF A PROPERLY COMPLETED DOCUMENT) into the territory of a Member of the Commission or subject to administrative or other sanction.
5. The import of fish parts other than the meat, i.e., head, eyes, roe, guts, tails may be allowed without the document.

EXPORT SECTION:
1. FLAG COUNTRY/ENTITY/FISHING ENTITY

2. DESCRIPTION OF VESSEL (if applicable)

Vessel Name	Registration Number	LOA (m)	WCPFC Record No. (if applicable)
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3. TRAPS (if applicable)

4. POINT OF EXPORT (City, State/Province, Country/Entity/Fishing Entity)

5. AREA OF CATCH (Check one of the following)
 (a) Western Pacific (within the national jurisdiction of the flag country) (b) Western Pacific (out of the national jurisdiction of the flag country)
 (c) the rest of Pacific (d) Atlantic Ocean (e) Indian Ocean
 * In case of (c), (d) or (e) is checked, the items 6 and 7 below do not needed to be filled out.

6. DESCRIPTION OF FISH

Product Type (*1) <i>F/FR D/GG/DR/FL/OT</i>	Time of Harvest <i>(mm/yy)</i>	Gear Code (*2)	Net Weight <i>(kg)</i>

*1 F=Fresh, FR=Frozen, RD=Round, GG=Gilled & Gutted, DR=Dressed, FL=Fillet, OT=Others (Describe the type of product: _____)
 *2 When the Gear Code is OT, describe the type of gear: _____

7. EXPORTER CERTIFICATION:
 I certify that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)
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8. GOVERNMENT VALIDATION:
 I validate that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name & Title	Signature	Date	Total weight of the shipment: _____ kg Government Seal
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IMPORT SECTION

9. IMPORTER CERTIFICATION:
 I certify that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Importer Certification (Intermediate Country/Entity/Fishing Entity)

Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)
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Importer Certification (Intermediate Country/Entity/Fishing Entity)

Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)
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Importer Certification (Final Destination of Shipment)

Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)
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Final Point of Import: City _____ State/Province _____
 Country/Entity/Fishing Entity _____

INSTRUCTIONS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: Block for the issuing Country/Entity/Fishing Entity to designate a country/entity/fishing entity encoded Document Number.

(1) FLAG COUNTRY/ENTITY/FISHING ENTITY: Fill in the name of the country/entity/fishing entity of the vessel that harvested the bigeye tuna in the shipment and issued this Document. According to the Resolution, only the flag state of the vessel that harvested the bigeye tuna in the shipment or, if the vessel is operating under a charter arrangement, the exporting state, can issue this Document.

(2) DESCRIPTION OF VESSEL (if applicable): Fill in the name, registration number, length overall (LOA) and WCPFC Record number of the vessel that harvested the bigeye tuna in the shipment.

(3) TRAPS (if applicable): Fill in the name of the trap that harvested the bigeye tuna in the shipment.

(4) POINT OF EXPORT: Identify the City, State or Province, and Country/Entity/Fishing Entity from which the bigeye tuna was exported.

(5) AREA OF CATCH: Check the area of catch. (If (c), (d) or (e) checked, items 6 and 7 below do not need to be filled out.)

(6) DESCRIPTION OF FISH: The exporter must provide, to the highest degree of accuracy, the following information. **NOTE:** One row should describe one product type.

(1) Product Type: Identify the type of product being shipped as either FRESH or FROZEN, and in ROUND, GILLED AND GUTTED, DRESSED, FILLET or OTHER form. For OTHER, describe the type of products in the shipment.

(2) Time of Harvest: Fill in the time of harvest (in month and year) of the bigeye tuna in the shipment.

(3) Gear Code: Identify the gear type which was used to harvest the bigeye tuna using the list below. For OTHER TYPE, describe the type of gear, including farming.

(4) Net product weight in kilograms.

(7) EXPORTER CERTIFICATION: The person or company exporting the bigeye tuna shipment must provide his/her name, company name, address, signature, date the shipment was exported, and dealer license number (if applicable).

(8) GOVERNMENT VALIDATION: Fill in the name and full title of the official signing the Document. The official must be employed by a competent authority of the flag state government of the vessel that harvested the bigeye tuna appearing on the Document or other individual or institution authorized by the flag state. When appropriate, this requirement is waived according validation of the document by a government official, or if the vessel is operating under a charter arrangement, by a government official or other authorized individual or institution of the exporting state. The total weight of the shipment shall also be specified in this block.

(9) IMPORTER CERTIFICATION: The person or company that imports bigeye tuna must provide his/her name, address, signature, date the bigeye was imported, license number (if applicable), and final point of import. This includes imports into intermediate countries, entities or fishing entities. For fresh and chilled products, the signature of the importer may be substituted by a person of a customs clearance company when the authority for signature is properly accredited to it by the importer.

GEAR CODE:

<i>GEAR CODE</i>	<i>GEAR TYPE</i>
BB	BAITBOAT
GILL	GILLNET
HAND	HANDLINE
HARP	HARPOON
LL	LONGLINE
MWT	MID-WATER TRAWL
PS	PURSE SEINE
RR	ROD AND REEL
SPHL	SPORT HANDLINE
SPOR	SPORT FISHERIES UNCLASSIFIED
SURF	SURFACE FISHERIES UNCLASSIFIED
TL	TENDED LINE
TRAP	TRAP



TROL

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UNSPECIFIED METHODS

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OTHER TYPE

RETURN A COPY OF COMPLETED DOCUMENT TO: (the name of the office of the competent authority of the flag state).

**Requirements Concerning
the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate**

1. The sample form of the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate shall be as in the Appendix.
2. Customs or other appropriate government officials will request and inspect all import documentation including the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate for all bigeye tuna in the shipment. Those officials may also inspect the content of each shipment to verify the information on the document.
3. Only complete and valid documents will guarantee that shipments of bigeye tuna will be allowed to enter the territory of Members of the Commission.
4. A Member of the Commission shall be free to validate WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificates for bigeye tuna imported by that Member, to which WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Documents or WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificates are attached. WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificates shall be validated by government organizations or by recognized institutions which are accredited by a Member's government to validate the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document. A copy of the original Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document accompanying the imported bigeye tuna must be attached to an WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate. The copy of the original Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document so attached must be verified by that government organization or by that recognized institution accredited by a government which validated the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document. When re-exported bigeye tuna is again re-exported, all copies of documents, including a verified copy of a Statistical Document and Re-export Certificate which accompanied that bigeye tuna upon importation, must be attached to a new Re-export Certificate to be validated by a re-exporting Member of the Commission. All copies of the Documents to be attached to that new Re-export Certificate must be also be verified by a government organization or a recognized institution accredited by a government which validated the WCPFC Bigeye Tuna Statistical Document.
5. Shipments of bigeye tuna that are accompanied by improperly documented Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate (i.e., improperly documented means that the Bigeye Tuna Re-export Certificate is either missing from the shipment, incomplete, invalid or falsified) will be considered illegitimate shipments of bigeye tuna, that are contrary to WCPFC conservation efforts, and their entry will be suspended (PENDING RECEIPT OF A PROPERLY COMPLETED DOCUMENT) into the territory of a Member of the Commission or subject to administrative or other sanction.
6. Members of the Commission that validate Re-export Certificates in accordance with the procedure set forth in paragraph 4 shall require from the re-exporting bigeye dealer necessary documents (e.g. written sales contracts) which are to certify that the bigeye tuna to be re-exported corresponds to the imported bigeye tuna. Members which validate Re-export Certificates shall provide flag states and importing states with evidence of this correspondence upon their request.

7. The import of fish parts other than the meat, i.e., head, eyes, roe, guts, tails may be allowed without the document.

DOCUMENT NUMBER	WCPFC BIGEYE TUNA RE-EXPORT CERTIFICATE			
RE-EXPORT SECTION:				
1. RE-EXPORTING COUNTRY/ENTITY/FISHING ENTITY				
2. POINT OF RE-EXPORT				
3. DESCRIPTION OF IMPORTED FISH				
Product Type <i>F/FR D/GG/DR/FL/OT</i>		Net Weight <i>(kg)</i>	Flag Country/ Entity/Fishing Entity	Date of import
4. DESCRIPTION OF FISH FOR RE-EXPORT				
Product Type <i>F/FR D/GG/DR/FL/OT</i>		Net Weight <i>(kg)</i>		
F=Fresh, FR=Frozen, RD=Round, GG=Gilled & Gutted, DR=Dressed, FL=Fillet, OT=Others (Describe the type of product: _____)				
5. RE-EXPORTER CERTIFICATION:				
I certify that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.				
Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)
6. GOVERNMENT VALIDATION:				
I validate that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.				
		Total weight of the shipment: _____ kg		
Name & Title	Signature	Date	Government Seal	
IMPORT SECTION				
7. IMPORTER CERTIFICATION:				
I certify that the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.				
Importer Certification (Intermediate Country/Entity/Fishing Entity)				
Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)
Importer Certification (Intermediate Country/Entity/Fishing Entity)				
Name	Address	Signature	Date	License # (if applicable)

Importer Certification (Final Destination of Shipment)

Name

Address

Signature

Date

License # (if applicable)

Final Point of Import: City _____ State/Province
Country/Entity/Fishing Entity _____

WCPFC BIGEYE TUNA RE-EXPORT CERTIFICATE INSTRUCTION SHEET

DOCUMENT NUMBER: Block for the issuing Country/Entity/Fishing Entity to designate a Country/Entity/Fishing Entity coded document number.

(1) RE-EXPORTING COUNTRY/ENTITY/FISHING ENTITY

Fill in the name of the Country/Entity/Fishing Entity which re-exports the bigeye tuna in the shipment and issued this Certificate. According to the Resolution, only the re-exporting Country/Entity/Fishing Entity can issue this Certificate.

(2) POINT OF RE-EXPORT

Identify the City/State Province and Country/Entity/Fishing Entity from which the bigeye tuna was re-exported.

(3) DESCRIPTION OF IMPORTED FISH

The exporter must provide, to the highest degree of accuracy, the following information:

NOTE: One row should describe one product type. (1) Product type: Identify the type of product being shipped as either FRESH or FROZEN, and in ROUND, GILLED AND GUTTED, DRESSED, FILLET or OTHER form. For OTHER, describe the type of products in the shipment. (2) Net weight: Net product weight in kilograms. (3) Flag Country/Entity/Fishing Entity: the name of the Country/Entity/Fishing Entity of the vessel that harvested the bigeye tuna in the shipment. (4) Date of import: Imported date.

(4) DESCRIPTION OF FISH FOR RE-EXPORT

The exporter must provide, to the highest degree of accuracy, the following information:

NOTE: One row should describe one product type. (1) Product type: Identify the type of product being shipped as either FRESH or FROZEN, and in ROUND, GILLED AND GUTTED, DRESSED FILLET or OTHER form. For OTHER, describe the type of products in the shipment. (2) Net weight: Net product weight in kilograms.

(5) RE-EXPORTER CERTIFICATION

The person or company re-exporting the bigeye tuna shipment must provide his/her name, address, signature, date the shipment was re-exported, and re-exporter's license number (if applicable).

(6) GOVERNMENT VALIDATION

Fill in the name and full title of the official signing the Certificate. The official must be employed by a competent government authority of the re-exporting Country/Entity/Fishing Entity appearing on the Certificate, or a person or institution authorized to validate such

certificates by the competent government authority.

(7) IMPORTER CERTIFICATION

The person or company that imports bigeye tuna must provide his/her name, address, signature, date the bigeye tuna was imported, license number (if applicable) and re-exported final point of import. This includes imports into intermediate Countries/Entities/Fishing Entities. For fresh and chilled products, the signature of the importer may be substituted by a person of a customs clearance company when the authority for signature is properly accredited to it by the importer.

RETURN A COPY OF THE COMPLETED CERTIFICATE TO: (the name of the office of the competent authority of the re-exporting Country/Entity/Fishing Entity).

REPORT OF THE WCPFC BIGEYE TUNA STATISTICAL DOCUMENT

Period _____ to _____, _____ Import Country/Entity/Fishing Entity

 Month Month Year

Flag Country/Entity /Fishing Entity	Area Code	Gear Code	Point of Export	Product Type		Product Wt (kg)
				F/FR	RD/GG/DR/FL/OT	

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|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| <u>Gear Code</u> | <u>Gear Type</u> | <u>Product type</u> |
| BB | Baitboat | F Fresh |
| GILL | Gillnet | FR Frozen |
| HAND | Handline | RD Round |
| HARP | Harpoon | GG Gilled & gutted |
| LL | Longline | DR Dressed |
| MWT | Mid-water trawl | FL Fillet |
| PS | Purse seine | OT Other form, describe the |
| type of | | products in the shipment |
| RR | Rod & reel | |
| SPHL | Sport Handline | |
| SPOR | Sport fisheries unclassified | <u>Area Code</u> |
| SURF | Surface fisheries unclassified | WPOin Western Pacific (within |
| the | | national jurisdiction) |
| TL | Tended line | WPOout Western Pacific |
| TRAP | Trap | national jurisdiction) |
| (outside of the | | RPO Rest of Pacific Ocean |
| TROL | Troll | AT Atlantic |
| UNCL | Unclassified methods | ID Indian Ocean |
| OTH | Other type (Indicate the type of gear): | |

REPORT OF THE WCPFC BIGEYE TUNA RE-EXPORT CERTIFICATE

Period _____ to _____, _____ Import Country/Entity/Fishing Entity

 Month Month Year

Flag Country/Entity /Fishing Entity	Re-export Country/Entity /Fishing Entity	Area Code	Gear Code	Point of Export	Product Type		Product Wt (kg)
					F/FR	RD/GG/DR/FL/OT	

Product type

- F Fresh
- FR Frozen
- RD Round
- GG Gilled & gutted
- DR Dressed
- FL Fillet
- OT Other form, describe the type of products in the shipment

INFORMATION ON VALIDATION OF WCPFC STATISTICAL DOCUMENTS

1. Flag _____

2. Government/Authority organization(s) accredited to validate Statistical Documents

Organization	Organization Address	Sample Seal

NOTE: For each organization, attach a list with the names, titles and addresses of the individuals authorized to validate Documents.

3. Other institutions accredited by the government/authority to validate Statistical Documents

Organization	Organization Address	Sample Seal

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Instructions

Contracting Parties, non-Contracting Parties, Entities, Fishing Entities having vessels that harvest species whose international trade must be accompanied by WCPFC Statistical Documents are requested to submit the information on this sheet to the Executive Director of the WCPFC, and to ensure that any changes to the above are also transmitted to the Executive Director on a timely fashion.