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Subject: China report for PBF catch and trade in 2022

Dear Rhea Moss-Christian :

According to CMM 2021-02, please check the attachment of the PBF report from China for 2022 including the attached table of catch and effort data.

China has no vessel targeting Pacific bluefin tuna and no bycatch of the stock in the WCPFC Convention Area in 2022. For international trade, according to customs statistics, China imported 919 metric tons of Pacific bluefin tuna from Japan in 2022.

Best regards,

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China Report for the CMM 2021-02 on the Pacific Bluefin tuna

Paragraph 5 of the CMM 2020-02 requires CCMs to report as follows: 5. CCMs shall report their 2002-2004 baseline fishing effort and <30 kg and >=30 kg catch levels for 2013 and 2014, by fishery, as referred to in the preceding two paragraphs, to the Executive Director by 31 July 2015. CCMs shall also report to the Executive Director by 31 July each year their fishing effort and <30 kg and >=30 kg catch levels, by fishery, for the previous year, accounting for all catches, including discards. The Executive Director will compile this information each year into an appropriate format for the use of the Northern Committee.

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	2021	2022
The Chinese LL fleet does not conduct fishing activities targeting bluefin tuna in the area north of 20°N in the Convention Area	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)

Table 2. Catches (mt), including discards, of Pacific bluefin tuna in the Convention Area (include all the fisheries in the previous table, plus all other fisheries that catch any Pacific bluefin tuna)

Fishery	2002		2003		2004		2021		2022	
	<30kg	>30kg	<30kg	>30kg	<30kg	>30kg	<30kg	>30kg	<30kg	>30kg
The Chinese LL fleet does not conduct fishing activities targeting bluefin tuna in the area north of 20°N in the Convention Area	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0(nil)	0 (nil)	0 (nil)