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à

Monsieur Andrew WRIGHT
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Objet : Comments concerning the Data Ad Hoc Task Group.

Dear Mr Director,

With regard to the suggestion of the TCC2 in Brisbane to comment the proposals by the Ad Hoc Task Group and the secretariat (WCPFC-TCC2-2006/18), French Polynesia wishes to address the commission secretariat its remarks and clarifications.

Attachment F: Draft framework for access to data by CCMs

Paragraph 2. Data covering vessels operated by a participating territory

We suggest to delete the sentence "*unless otherwise decided by the member of CNM responsible for its external affairs*"

French Polynesia is competent to manage its own fleet and the resources in its EEZ. All the data concerning French Polynesian vessels are owned by the local authority.

Attachment G : Draft rules and procedures for the access to and dissemination of data compiled by the commission

Paragraph 10 : we need clarification on "*information on vessel and gear attributes compiled from other sources*". The commission is supposed to release information that are recorded in its own registers. All information from other sources cannot be released by the commission, unless they are integrated in the commission records.

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Paragraph 15: "*Fisheries intelligence-sharing information*" : this need to be more detailed
4.1 We suggest to add a new paragraph, after 18 :

"The Executive Director shall establish a list of persons, within the WCPFC secretariat and service providers, including scientific experts engaged under Article 13 of the Convention, duly authorised to access the data necessary to perform their WCPFC duties. This list including the purpose and the functions for which the persons have access to the data, shall be forwarded to the CCMs annually."

With regards to the person who have quasi permanent access to the non-public data, the CCMs should be informed on :

- The tasks and functions of the secretariat's staff who have that type of access
- The purpose of the work of service providers.

Hoping that these remarks will be constructive to the work of the commission in Apia, in December 2006,

Yours sincerely.

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