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**PARTICIPATORY RIGHTS – PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

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CNM Applicant	Year	Para	Decision
Belize	2007	39-40	<p>Limit catches of bigeye tuna to its average catch levels over the period 2001–2004, minus any amount that may have been double counted and attributed to coastal States; and that its fishing activities be limited to a total of five longline vessels in the North Pacific and two longline vessels fishing south of 15°S, which are restricted to catching swordfish.</p> <p>Belize stated that it fully intended to comply with all applicable WCPFC CMMs and would voluntarily limit its annual bigeye tuna catches to 803.25 mt (i.e. its average annual catch over the period 2001–2004).</p>
El Salvador	2008	32	Operate two purse seiners in the WCPF Convention Area and that its operations on the high seas would be in accordance with the existing CMMs adopted by the Commission.
Ecuador	2008	41	<p>1. WCPFC5 agreed to approve Ecuador's CNM status for a one-year period beginning 15 February 2009, subject to the following conditions (WCPFC5-2008/IP15):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Ecuador is granted cooperating non-member status for 2009 contingent upon satisfactory resolution of the U.S. concerns over the provision of necessary information relating to alleged violations in its EEZ. If Ecuador does not provide all requested information to the satisfaction of the United States by 15 February 2009, its cooperating non-member status will be null and void. If the United States' concerns have been addressed by 15 February 2009, it will certify to the WCPFC Secretariat its satisfaction with the information provided.</li> <li>b. The exemption granted to Kiribati at WCPFC4 allowing it to license fishing vessels from non-CCMs will expire on 15 February 2009.</li> <li>c. If Ecuador's cooperating non-member status becomes null and void, Kiribati, Tuvalu and Nauru will be given an exemption for 2009 from CMM 2004-01 to allow seven Ecuadorian vessels to fish in waters under their national jurisdiction. It shall be a term and condition of the licenses for those vessels to fish in Kiribati, Tuvalu and Nauru waters that those vessels are not authorized to</li> </ul>

			<p>fish on the high seas of the Convention Area. In addition, this exemption is granted with the understanding that no other Ecuadorian-flagged vessels will fish on the high seas of the Convention Area. Such activities will be considered as undermining the intent and effectiveness of WCPFC conservation and management measures.</p> <p>d. Should Ecuador's cooperating non-member status become effective, the following provisions would apply.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Ecuador commits that it will submit to high seas boardings and inspections in accordance with the Commission's High Seas Boarding and Inspection procedures.</li> <li>ii. Noting that at the time of making the decision, the Commission had not received sufficient data to be able to confirm the applicable purse seine days limit for Ecuador on the high seas for 2009. Consequently Ecuador will be limited to zero days during 2009. The Commission noted that as soon as Ecuador provides to the WCPFC all relevant catch and effort data that would enable the WCPFC Secretariat to calculate and verify an applicable days limit pursuant to the new CMM for yellowfin tuna and bigeye tuna, this limit will be appropriately adjusted. If this is not able to be verified to the satisfaction of all members, Ecuador shall not fish on the high seas of the Convention Area in 2009.</li> <li>iii. Ecuador is willing and able to ensure full compliance by all its vessels with the conservation and management measures of the WCPFC and to respond to any alleged unauthorized activities by vessels flying its flag that have been brought to its attention.</li> <li>iv. Ecuador commits to provide all fishery data required by the Commission in a timely manner.</li> <li>v. Ecuador commits to comply with appropriate bilateral agreements and national laws and regulations of coastal States.</li> <li>vi. Ecuador commits to have observers on board Ecuadorian flagged vessels during all trips in the Convention Area, including high seas and EEZs.</li> </ol>
Senegal	2008	46	Commitment to limit fishing activity to one longline vessel.
Indonesia			
Mexico	2008	51	Limit fishing effort to no more than six purse seine vessels fishing only in waters under national jurisdiction of EEZs of WCPFC members.
Vietnam			