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**Meeting Notice: The Ninth Joint IATTC and WCPFC-NC Working Group Meeting
on the Management of Pacific Bluefin Tuna (JWG-09) and the Twentieth Regular
Session of the Northern Committee (NC20)**

Dear All,

Please refer to the attached advance information from Japan on the dates and venue of JWG-09, the CDS Technical Meeting, and the 20th Regular Session of the Northern Committee. Confirmation of NC20 and associated meeting dates and venue will be undertaken by the Commission at WCPFC20 in December.

Questions may be directed to the Secretariat's Science Manager, Dr SungKwon Soh at sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RMC", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rhea Moss-Christian
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RE: Meeting date and venue of the Ninth Joint IATTC and WCPFC-NC Working Group Meeting and Twentieth Regular Session of the Northern Committee

Dear Rhea,

At the 8th Joint IATTC and WCPFC-NC Working Group Meeting (JWG08) and the 19th Regular Session of the Northern Committee (NC19), Japan expressed its intention to host the JWG09 and NC20 back-to-back, next year.

After consulting with Co-Chairs of JWG and the Chair of NC as well as other relevant people, Japan is planning to host the meetings in Kushiro city (at Kushiro Tourism and International Relations Center), Hokkaido prefecture of Japan, with the following schedule:

July 10 th (Wed) – 13 th (Sat)	JWG09 (4 days)
(July 10 th (Wed))	CDS Technical Meeting)
July 14 th (Sun)	Rest day (1 day)
July 15 th (Mon) – 16 th (Tue)	NC20 (2 days)

We are making this meeting announcement at this early stage since July is one of the peak tourist seasons in Hokkaido.

Please kindly circulate this letter to all CCMs.

Sincerely yours,


Takumi Fukuda
Japanese Commissioner to WCPFC