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**REVIEW OF PART 1 OF THE ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION**

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**WCPFC-SC3/GN IP-1**

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**Introduction**

The first Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC) agreed to a two-part reporting format, with Part 1 (Information on Fisheries, Research and Statistics) and Part 2 (Management and Compliance), appended as Attachment D in the TCC1 Summary Report. The SC2 considered that a national fishery report can be replaced by Part 1 of the annual report (paragraph 254, SC2 Summary Report). Then, TCC2 discussed the format of Part 2 of the annual report through a small informal working group and recommended a revised template for Part 2 of the annual report to be used for future reports (paragraphs 21 and 22, TCC2 Summary Report). In addition, TCC2 also recommended that the Commission invite the Scientific Committee to review Part 1 of the annual report in light of its relationship with Part 2, including its consistencies (such as reporting periods and submission times).

At the third Commission meeting (WCPFC3), it was advised that all CCMs to fully comply with Part 1 and Part 2 reporting obligations during 2007, noting that a simplified template had been agreed on by the Commission for future use. The Commission also endorsed TCC2's recommendations as mentioned above.

The SC3 is invited to review Part 1 of the annual report and provide to the Commission a revised version for adoption. Original template of annual report (Attachment 1) and revised Part 2 (Attachment 2) are appended.

## ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

**Purpose:** Provide guidelines for reporting relevant information to the Commission on fishing activities of members and cooperating non-members during the preceding calendar year, and management and compliance issues during the present year.

### PART 1. INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

(summary information for the previous year, complementary to data submitted\*)

**(To be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> June of the current year/ one month before SC Meeting )**

#### 1.1 ANNUAL FISHERIES INFORMATION

##### Essential information

Annual catch by species, gear in the WCPFC Convention Area	Previous calendar year (x-1) and previous 4 years (x-2 to x-5)	Annex 1 (Agreement) Art 23(2)b
Number of vessels by gear type, size (fleet structure)	Previous calendar year (x-1) and previous 4 years (x-2 to x-5)	
Fishing patterns (catch by time/area)	Previous year; comparisons with earlier years	
Estimated total catches of non-target, associated and dependent species (if available)	Previous calendar year; other years if available	

##### Useful information

Developments/trends in the fishery (changes in fishing patterns, fleet operations, target species, level of transshipment etc)
Associated socio-economic factors (which may influence or explain the above trends)
Disposal of catch (fresh/frozen/other)/market destination (export/domestic)
Onshore developments (processing plants, support facilities etc)
Future prospects of the fishery (long term viability, expansion/contraction etc)

#### 1.2 RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

Summary of observer and port sampling programmes (scientific data)	
Research activities (tunas, other species, species of special interest, oceanographic influences etc)	
Statistical data collection systems in use (describe)	Art 23(2)a, Annex 1
Data coverage of catch, effort and size data for all species	

\* Catch/effort and scientific data in unaggregated form supplied separately to the Commission according to agreed guidelines/ timelines by the Commission eg SC1-ST-1, SC1-ST-2, subject to adoption by the Commission.

## PART 2. MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

(summary information for the current year)

(To be submitted one month before the Regular Session of the Commission, or the TCC,  
combined with Part 1 of the Annual Report)

### 2.1 IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

Report on measures adopted for conservation and management of HMFS in areas under national jurisdiction	Art. 23(3)
Report on steps to implement conservation and management measures in the Convention area	Art. 23(2) c

### 2.2 COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY

Inform Commission of flag state measures adopted	Art. 24
Fishing vessel information (record of vessels and additions/deletions/modifications)	Art. 24
Transshipment and supply vessel information	
Observer data (compliance) and compliance reporting	
Summary report on citations, violations, action taken	

### 2.3 SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES (optional)

Seagoing patrols	(eg number of days/area covered)	Sightings
Aerial surveillance	(eg number of flights/areas)	Sightings
VMS summaries	(eg vessels covered by area; failures (dates failed, corrected etc)	Summary activity
Infractions	(Number reported)	Summary actions taken

### 2.4 INSPECTION SCHEMES

Transshipments	(eg number of inspections/ by vessel flag )	Summary outcomes
At-sea inspections	(eg number of inspections/ by vessel flag )	Summary outcomes
Port inspections	(eg number of inspections	Summary outcomes
Inspections of domestic-only vessels	(Optional)	

### 2.5 OTHER ACTIVITY

Inform relevant changes to national legislation

Trade measures (if adopted by the Commission)

Cooperating Non-Members annual reporting (to maintain cooperating status)

Prompt IUU fishing activity reporting (Art 25(2,3)); estimated IUU catch within EEZ ?

NPOA reporting / IPOA actions taken through RFMO

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION**

**Purpose:** To provide relevant information to the Commission on fishing activities of CCMs and cooperating non-CCMs including management and compliance issues. The report should include all fishing activities being undertaken within the Convention area.

**PART 2. MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE**

(To be submitted by July 31 each year. Part 2 to cover the period 1 January - 31 December of the previous year.)

**2.1 IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES**

CCMs are required to report on the steps they have taken to implement the conservation and management measures established for the Convention Area. In addition, CCMs are to inform the Commission of measures they have adopted to conserve and manage highly migratory fish stocks (HMFS) in the Convention Area.

Report on CCM steps to implement conservation and management measures in the Convention area (Article 23(2)c)	Implemented (yes/no) (If no, explain why not)	Measures in place
<i>List all current CCMs</i>		

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<b>Report on CCM measures adopted for conservation and management of HMFS in areas under national jurisdiction (Art. 23(3))</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
Management methods used for HMFS	

<b>Report on CCM measures adopted for regulating the activity of vessels which fish in the Convention Area. (Art. 23(4))</b> <b>Examples provided below but further fields may be added</b>	<b>Action taken</b>
<i>Vessel Registration and Authorisation Procedures</i>	
<i>Control of fishing vessels</i>	
<i>Instruction/education/extension programs for industry including vessel owners, operators, crews and fish receivers/buyers.</i>	
<i>Port access and inspections (such as FAO Port Measures where applicable)</i>	

## 2.2 MONITORING AND INSPECTION ACTIVITIES

The information is to be in a summarized form.

Activity	Frequency	Comment
VMS		
Transhipments		
Transshipment inspections		
At-sea inspections		
Port inspections		
Observer monitoring		
Monitoring of trade and domestic distribution of HMFS.		

## 2.3 SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES

The completion of this section should be in summarized form.

Activity	Frequency	Comment
Seagoing patrols		
Aerial surveillance		

Inspections of domestic-only vessels		
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## 2.4 INVESTIGATIONS AND PROSECUTION ACTIVITY

The completion of this section should be in summarized form to the level of detail that domestic requirements allow

Activity	Number	Reason and summary outcome
Investigations		
Outcomes – penalties or other action		
- No further action		

## 2.5 FURTHER MCS MEASURES TAKEN AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

EXAMPLES:

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