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17 September 2025

Submitted by CCMs

Purpose

The Commission adopted [CMM 2013-07](#) at WCPFC10 in December 2013. CMM 2013-07 identifies several priority areas related to the recognition of the special requirements of small island developing States and Territories, including capacity development, technology transfers, support for fisheries conservation and management, monitoring, control, and surveillance, support for the domestic fisheries sector, and tuna-fisheries related businesses and market access. Each year, CCMs are required to report through Annual Report Part 2 on their implementation of CMM 2013-07.

At WCPFC15, the Commission directed the Secretariat to develop a webpage dedicated to the [Implementation of Article 30 of the Convention](#) and to publish reports by CCMs on the implementation of CMM 2013-07 on the webpage.

The attached compilation contains CCM reports on implementation of CMM 2013-07 as submitted through the 2025 Annual Report Part 2, covering Reporting Year 2024. This responds to the Commission task for the Secretariat to compile this information for review by TCC.

¹ Rev 1 replaces the original version issued on 11 August 2025. This version includes updated responses from one CCM.

Obligation / Requirement

[CMM 2013-07 01-03](#)

General provisions of CMM on SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES AND TERRITORIES

Notes and Suggested Guidelines:

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SIDS CCMs in preparing this statement might consider providing details on assistance needs that are specific to this category of provisions

Audit Point Definition:

Implementation (IM)

refer to Audit Point Definition for CMM 2013-07 19

The Secretariat confirms that CCM submitted information in AR Pt 2 on any assistance it provided to SIDS/T in accordance with CMM 2013-07, or CCM submitted information on any assistance required.

▼ **American Samoa (Completed 26-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

This does not apply to American Samoa as a SIDS.

Submitted: 26 Jun 2025 - 11:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 27 Jun 2025 - 09:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Australia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Australia supports the issue of disproportionate burden on SIDS and Territories becoming a standard part of all Commission discussions, including through rigorous application of the CMM 2013-06 SIDS impact assessment for new proposals. Australia notes the benefits to a highly consultative approach to developing these assessments. We continue to encourage all CCMs to continue to rigorously apply the checklist to proposals, and to engage with FFA on these issues. Australia continues to support the Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) adopted by the WCPFC in 2018 to address the identified capacity needs SIDS and Territories.

Australia continues to work with SIDS and Territories through the programs listed in this report and through other fora such as the FFA MCS Working Group, TCC and through bilateral and regional engagement, to assist SIDS and Territories with capacity development.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 10:19 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 12:11 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Canada (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

See response to CMM2013-06 01

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:03 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:03 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **China (Completed 01-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

China has long recognized the importance of developing the PICs fishing capabilities, acknowledging their desire to advance their own fisheries. We are committed to promoting fisheries cooperation between China and the Pacific Island nations. In terms of high-level China-Pacific Island fisheries cooperation, China has already hosted three China-Pacific Island Fisheries Cooperation Forums. These forums serve as a platform for cooperation with members of the Pacific Island fisheries community, fostering comprehensive exchanges and targeted development.

China has always approached and developed its relations with Pacific Island nations from the perspective of building a community with a shared future for mankind, cherishes the deep friendship established with Pacific Island nations, and is committed to providing assistance within its capacity for their economic development and livelihood improvement. In 2024, China held the "One Country One Product" Pacific Island Nations Launch Ceremony and Seminar in Nanjing, aimed at promoting agricultural development in Pacific Island nations, helping them improve comprehensive agricultural utilization, and supporting the construction of more resilient and sustainable agri-food systems. Eight Pacific Island nations showcased their specialty agricultural products. FAO representatives introduced the implementation progress and achievements of "One Country One Product" globally and in the Asia-Pacific region, while representatives from multiple countries shared their implementation experiences, challenges faced, and cooperation needs. In 2024, China continued to encourage its fishing enterprises to arrange vessels through chartering arrangement to local companies, aiding these PICs in accumulating historical fishing data in their Exclusive Economic Zones and on the high seas. We remain dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the construction of comprehensive fisheries bases in the Pacific Islands, including maintaining ship repair yards and processing plants in the ports of these nations to advance the construction of their fisheries industry chains. China is also employing local labor working on Chinese LL fishing vessels to boost local employment rates.

As of 2024, the vast majority (approximately 70-80%) of catches by Chinese distant-water fishing fleets in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean come from Pacific Island Countries' EEZs, with only 20-30% from the high seas. Among these, purse seine vessels show the highest dependence on island nations' EEZs, with approximately 95-96% of their catches from EEZs; low-temperature longline vessels primarily targeting albacore tuna obtain about 75% of their catches from EEZs; ultra-low temperature longline vessels (only 30 vessels, accounting for one-tenth of China's total active longline fishing vessels in 2024, representing a very small proportion) have a relatively higher proportion of high seas operations, but still derive approximately 60% of their catches from EEZs. These data clearly demonstrate that Chinese distant-water fisheries operate primarily within Pacific Island nations' jurisdictional waters in full legal compliance, fully respecting coastal states' sovereign rights, and making positive contributions to the economic development of island nations.

Submitted: 01 Jun 2025 - 23:26 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 16:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Cook Islands (Completed 20-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Cook Islands is a SID country, there for this measure does not apply. No assistance required.

Submitted: 20 May 2025 - 12:25 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 20 May 2025 - 12:25 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Curacao (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Curacao is an associate member of the UN(SIDS) and is willing to exchange as much experience with other SIDS to improve Fisheries among SIDS countries. Curacao is part of the Dutch Kingdom and in this regards not an independent country, but receives funding and technical assistance from the Dutch Kingdom as an OCT(Overseas Country and Territories). As Cooperating Non-Member Party Curacao is willing to provide if possible assistance to SIDS if needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:35 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:35 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Ecuador (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Ecuador is a Cooperating Non-Member Party. We will be glad to provide any possible assistance to SIDS as needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:12 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:12 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ El Salvador (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

As a CNM, El Salvador supports and implement all of the CMM applicable to the Salvadoran fleet. El Salvador will soon pay the financial contribution established by the commission every year, by doing so, El Salvador is providing to SIDS and developing States. It should be mentioned that El Salvador is also a developing State.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:01 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **European Union (Completed 15-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The EU provides support to the Pacific Region in various sectors such as Oceans' Governance; Climate change and Disaster Risk; Trade; Energy; Health, Gender; Public Finance Management (PFM) and Governance. The activities and initiatives funded by the EU to support Pacific SIDS are designed in consultation with SIDS and FFA. Details can be found in the latest EU report on implementation of Article 30 of the Convention and Resolution 2008-01 of WCPFC that was published as a Delegation Paper to WCPFC21 (ref. WCPFC21-2024-DP17).

Submitted: 15 May 2025 - 23:20 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 May 2025 - 23:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Federated States of Micronesia (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FSM is a SIDS country. However, FSM continues to assist other fellow SIDS through collaboration within the PNA, FFA and other bilateral arrangements. FSM is also a recipient of assistance from non-SIDS within the WCPFC membership.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:01 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 21:05 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Fiji (Completed 19-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

There was no submission done in 2024.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 11:05 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 04 Jun 2025 - 10:35 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **France (Completed 14-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Cooperation and capacity programs exist but are not directly and specifically related to fisheries.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:19 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:19 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **French Polynesia (Completed 22-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FP is a developing Territory

Submitted: 22 May 2025 - 07:46 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 08:16 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Indonesia (Completed 10-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Indonesia's involvement in the SIDS (Small Island Developing States) partnership was officially announced at the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, held from September 1 to 4, 2014, in Apia, Samoa. As a committed partner, Indonesia has actively participated in several multi-stakeholder partnership initiatives aimed at supporting SIDS. Notably, Indonesia has been instrumental in the Coral Triangle Initiative, which is operational in several SIDS, including Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. This collaboration underscores Indonesia's dedication to fostering sustainable development and environmental conservation in small island nations.

For further details on these initiatives, you can visit the following links:

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=219>

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=238>

In mid-2020, Indonesia strongly advocated for the mobilization of adequate resources and support for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) during a high-level discussion. The discussion focused on mobilizing international solidarity, accelerating action, and exploring new pathways to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Samoa Pathway for SIDS. Indonesia's call underscores its commitment to supporting the sustainable development and resilience of small island nations, highlighting the need for global cooperation to address the unique challenges faced by SIDS.

Indonesia unequivocally reaffirmed its steadfast commitment to the sustainable development and advancement of Small Island Developing States (SIDS) at the 4th SIDS Conference on May 28th, 2024, in Antigua and Barbuda. By recognizing the unique challenges faced by these nations and enhancing partnerships based on mutual interests, Indonesia aims to foster significant progress and shared prosperity.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 19:11 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 00:31 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Japan (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Japan provided developing States, in particular SIDS with fishery cooperations through Fisheries Grant Aid, JICA, OFCF, FFA Promotion Fund and JTF.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:08 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:08 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Kiribati (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Kiribati is one of the SIDS countries that depends much on assistance from regional and sub-regional agencies such as WCPFC, FFA and PNA including donor partners.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:37 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:37 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Liberia (Response Completed by Secretariat)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Not Applicable

▼ Nauru (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Nauru is a SIDS.

▼ **New Caledonia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

New Caledonia is a territory and has not required any assistance in this category in 2024. New Caledonia neither received any request in this regard in 2024.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 08:53 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 08:53 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **New Zealand (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

New Zealand works closely with SIDs to ensure that CMM proposals and implementation does not place or transfer a disproportionate burden. In the first instance, all proposals submitted by New Zealand are considered using the SIDS checklist. As part of regional engagement, New Zealand also actively engages with SIDS at regional and bilateral meetings and forums.

Additionally, New Zealand's capacity building and assistance programme - Te Patui, seeks to enhance SIDS (primarily Pacific Island Country) capability through delivering MCS training and support fisheries science, to ensure that they can practically implement CMM requirements and obligations.

See New Zealand's broader response to CMM 2013-06 01, for further information relating to support provided to SIDS.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 10:56 Pacific/Pohnpei

Nicaragua (Pending)

▼ **Niue (Completed 12-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Capacity building needs for reporting requirements.

Submitted: 12 Jun 2025 - 17:51 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 17:51 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Palau (Completed 01-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Palau is a SIDS

▼ **Panama (Completed 03-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

The Republic of Panama does not operate an active fishery for highly migratory fish stocks within the WCPFC Convention Area, nor does it engage in direct fishing activities as a Contracting Party. Panama's participation in the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) is limited to its status as a Cooperating Non-Member (CNM), specifically in relation to support vessels and carrier (refrigerated transport) vessels. In this context, Panama has neither provided nor requested assistance under this provision, and therefore considers it not applicable.

Submitted: 03 Jun 2025 - 04:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 15:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Papua New Guinea (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

No such request has been submitted or requested from the secretariate in this reporting period.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 15:25 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 19:13 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Philippines (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Statement in response to the Audit Point definition:
PH comply requirement of SIDS thru economic engagements

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 23:17 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 01:54 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Republic of Korea (Completed 04-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Korea fully recognizes the special requirements of SIDS and territories in the Convention Area in the implementation of the Convention and WCPFC relevant CMMs. Korea has been providing various type of assistance to SIDS through ODA projects. In addition, Korea has assessed the impact of new proposals on SIDS and territories in considering or submitting any new proposals in pursuant to CMM 2013-06.

Submitted: 04 Jun 2025 - 17:55 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 10 Jun 2025 - 14:58 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Republic of Marshall Islands (Completed 29-Mar-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

This does not apply to RMI as a SIDS.

▼ Samoa (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Samoa is a SIDS country and have not sought or requested any assistance in accordance with this CMM in the reported year

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 16:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 18:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Solomon Islands (Completed 18-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Solomon Islands did not received any assistance for the reporting year 2024.

Submitted: 18 May 2025 - 12:18 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 16:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Chinese Taipei (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

We have continuously worked, either directly or indirectly, with other members to implement those paragraphs.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 16:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Thailand (Completed 21-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Thailand has not provided direct assistance to SIDS or territories under the WCPFC framework during the reporting year. However, Thailand supports the principles of cooperation and capacity building as outlined in CMM 2013-07 and remains open to opportunities to contribute through Commission-led initiatives or regional partnerships. Thailand will continue to explore ways to support the sustainable development of SIDS fisheries in the Convention Area.

Submitted: 21 May 2025 - 15:02 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:23 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tokelau (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tokelau is a SIDS country and as such the obligation is not applicable (NA).

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:02 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:03 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tonga (Completed 03-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tonga, as a SIDS have not sought or requested any assistance in accordance with this CMM in the reported year

Submitted: 03 Apr 2025 - 12:46 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 17:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tuvalu (Completed 23-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Not applicable

Submitted: 23 May 2025 - 08:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 28 May 2025 - 09:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **United States of America (Completed 11-Apr-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The United States continues to provide support, assistance and training opportunities to SIDS, as described in each of the following CMM 2013-07 entries.

- The United States made a voluntary contribution of \$60,000 to the WCPFC Special Requirements Fund to support SIDS participation in WCPFC meetings. These funds help to ensure that fish stocks in the Pacific Island region are sustainably managed, that IUU fishing is effectively countered, and that there is a level playing field for U.S. industry. In addition, the United States provides more targeted support to SIDS, as identified in the other 2013-07 responses in this report.

Submitted: 11 Apr 2025 - 13:54 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 08 Sep 2025 - 10:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Vanuatu (Completed 10-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

- VU is a SIDS - VU cooperate with other SIDS+T and non-SIDS directly and through the Commission to assist SIDS+T develop our fisheries as well as through regional arrangements and PNA

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 17:38 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 11:12 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Vietnam (Completed 15-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Non SIDS

Submitted: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:38 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:38 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Wallis and Futuna (Completed 06-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: No

Wallis and Futuna islands tuna development plan for the next 5 years is targetting a single middle-size longliner for the domestic market. So as to inform a more robust viability analysis, a short experimental tuna fishing campaign is expected to be implemented in the short term. However, the search for a partner in the region to implement it has not been successfull so far : 2 companies have been reached out for a time charter arrangement but both offered chartering conditions that were considered too risky if not unaffordable. One of them has dismissed a proposal for a fishing license including requirement to offload in Wallis and commitment from local authorities to contract a buyer for the fish with an agreed price.

In that context, assistance needs from CCMs and regional organisations (SPC and WCPFC) for capacity building relate to :

- helping design terms of reference for the chartering arrangement
- helping find a company who would make a vessel and skilled crew available for 3 months within affordable day fee
- providing observer(s) to cover one trip out of 2 or 3

Submitted: 06 May 2025 - 07:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 26 Jun 2025 - 09:25 Pacific/Pohnpei

Obligation / Requirement

[CMM 2013-07 04-05](#)

Requirements to assist with Capacity Development of Personnel of SIDS and Territories

Notes and Suggested Guidelines:

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✓ **American Samoa (Completed 26-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

This does not apply to American Samoa as a SIDS.

Submitted: 26 Jun 2025 - 11:32 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 27 Jun 2025 - 09:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Australia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Australia provides core funding to the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) (AUD5 million per year) to support effective and strengthened cooperative management of the region's tuna resources, including fisheries management and development, and monitoring, control and surveillance. Australia also provides program funding to the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems Division (FAME) of the Pacific Community (AUD3 million per year for its fisheries division) to provide scientific information and support for fisheries management.

Australia is providing an additional AUD5 million per annum to support strengthened FFA and regional MCS activities, including capacity development of personnel of SIDS and Territories. Australia provides direct fisheries capacity building for SIDS to support national MCS capacity including supporting the annual FFA and SPC MCS Officers Foundation course. Australia has provided approximately AUD1 million to the Solomon Islands National University and the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS) at the University of Wollongong, to co-develop and deliver a Graduate Certificate in Pacific Fisheries Governance that provides a foundation qualification for Pacific fisheries managers and officials and build expertise and knowledge in fisheries management, development and governance.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 10:28 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 13:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Canada (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

See response to CMM2013-06 01

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:03 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:03 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **China (Completed 01-Jun-2025)**

Response:**Implemented:** Yes

To fulfill our obligations, China has consistently welcomed students from Pacific Island nations to study in China through the China-Pacific Island Countries Forum and various scholarship programs. These students are encouraged to pursue studies in marine biology, fisheries resources, and other related fields at institutions such as Shanghai Ocean University, where scholarships are specifically available to support.

In 2024, Shanghai Ocean University and Shanghai Normal University jointly cultivated international students from Fiji, Vanuatu, and Tonga. In the same year, the China-Pacific Island Countries Dialogue on Climate Change Response was successfully held in Liaocheng, Shandong Province, focusing on cooperation achievements and future collaboration prospects in green energy, low-carbon development, and low-carbon economy, promoting a closer partnership between China and Pacific Island Countries in addressing climate change. Wuyi University welcomed its first cohort of 15 international students from Fiji, Solomon Islands, and Papua New Guinea, majoring in Communication Engineering (Emergency Communication and Emergency Command), cultivating disaster management professionals for Pacific Island Countries and better advancing the construction of the China-Pacific Island Countries Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Cooperation Center. The Chinese government has established the Chinese Government Scholarship Pacific Islands Forum (PIF) Program, a full scholarship provided by the Chinese government in cooperation with the Pacific Islands Forum to fund students from Pacific Island Countries. The program aims to encourage and support young students from Pacific Island Countries to study and conduct research in China.

Submitted: 01 Jun 2025 - 23:33 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 16:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Cook Islands (Completed 20-May-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** N/A

Cook Islands is a SID , therefore consider this audit point not applicable. No assistance required.

Submitted: 20 May 2025 - 12:30 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 20 May 2025 - 12:30 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Curacao (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** Yes

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Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:37 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:37 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Ecuador (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** Yes

Ecuador is a Cooperating Non-Member Party. We will be glad to provide any possible assistance to SIDS as needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:13 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:13 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ El Salvador (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** Yes

As a developing state, El Salvador supports the capacity development of developing countries and SIDS in the Commission by paying the financial contribution on time every year.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:03 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **European Union (Completed 27-May-2025)**

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Submitted: 27 May 2025 - 21:06 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 03:11 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Federated States of Micronesia (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FSM is a small island developing state and a recipients of such assistances. FSM has received capacity development assistance provided through regional, sub-regional programs and collaboration with other SIDS.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 13:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 21:07 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Fiji (Completed 19-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Fiji did make a submission in 2024 where Fiji needs training and attachments in the following areas:

1. WCPFC MCS data analysis
2. Training on Commission VMS
3. CMR

The implementation of this training is still ongoing and will be reported under 2025 Part 2 Report.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 11:06 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 04 Jun 2025 - 11:51 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **France (Completed 14-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Cooperation and capacity programs exist but are not directly and specifically related to fisheries.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:20 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **French Polynesia (Completed 22-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

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✓ **Indonesia (Completed 10-Jun-2025)**

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Implemented: Yes

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▼ Japan (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Japan provided developing States, in particular SIDS with fishery cooperations through Fisheries Grant Aid, JICA, OFCF, FFA Promotion Fund and JTF.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:08 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:08 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Kiribati (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Kiribati is a SIDS.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:38 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 22:47 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Liberia (Response Completed by Secretariat)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Not Applicable

▼ Nauru (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Nauru is a SIDS and supports this measures.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 14:48 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 19 May 2025 - 14:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ New Caledonia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

New Caledonia is a territory and has not required any assistance in this category in 2024. New Caledonia neither received any request in this regard in 2024.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 08:59 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 08:59 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ New Zealand (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The New Zealand Government funds the MPI-led Pacific-wide fisheries capacity-building and training programme, Te Pātuitanga Ahumoana a Kiwa ('Te Pātui'), to support sustainable and compliant (MCS) Pacific fisheries.

Refer CMM 2013-06 01 for a broader response to this obligation.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:32 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:32 Pacific/Pohnpei

Nicaragua (Pending)

✓ Niue (Completed 12-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Not applicable, no submission by Niue for the previous year.

Submitted: 12 Jun 2025 - 17:54 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 10:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Palau (Completed 01-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Palau is a SIDS and supports this CMM.

Submitted: 01 May 2025 - 13:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 13:55 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Panama (Completed 03-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

The Republic of Panama's participation rights in the WCPFC Fisheries Commission are limited to support fishing vessels as CNM.

Submitted: 03 Jun 2025 - 04:32 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 14:43 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Papua New Guinea (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

PNG is a SIDS CCM. PNG has not requested any assistance.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 15:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 19:41 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Philippines (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Statement in response to the Audit Point definition:

PH comply requirement of SIDS thru economic engagements

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 23:17 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 01:54 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Republic of Korea (Completed 04-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

In 2024, Korea provided assistance to certain SIDS CCMs to strengthen their capacity to implement IMO requirements and also provided tailored course of international maritime leader. It is a five-year project for 2023~2027.

Submitted: 04 Jun 2025 - 17:57 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 16:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Republic of Marshall Islands (Completed 29-Mar-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

This does not apply to RMI as a SIDS.

Submitted: 29 Mar 2025 - 14:19 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 May 2025 - 13:30 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Samoa (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Samoa is a SIDS and has not sought any assistance as stipulated in this CMM, however, Samoa has received ongoing support and assistance from developed countries and regional agencies through bilateral and multilateral agreements.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 16:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 18:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Solomon Islands (Completed 18-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Solomon Islands is requesting for any assistance for the year 2024.

Submitted: 18 May 2025 - 12:23 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:03 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Chinese Taipei (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

We have scholarship program for human resource training and capacity building.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 16:59 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Thailand (Completed 21-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Thailand did not provide direct assistance to SIDS or territories in accordance with CMM 2013-07 paragraph 19 during the reporting year. However, Thailand remains committed to regional cooperation and is open to supporting SIDS capacity-building initiatives through Commission-led or collaborative efforts.

Submitted: 21 May 2025 - 15:05 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:23 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Tokelau (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tokelau is a SIDS country.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:06 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:06 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Tonga (Completed 03-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tonga, as a SIDS have not sought or requested any assistance in accordance with this CMM in the reported year

Submitted: 03 Apr 2025 - 12:54 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 17:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Tuvalu (Completed 23-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

note applicable

Submitted: 23 May 2025 - 08:59 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 28 May 2025 - 09:21 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ United States of America (Completed 11-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

- USCG hosted Pacific Island partners at the 4th annual Shiprider Symposium (Sep 2024) to share best practices, discuss regional concerns, exchange information among subject matter experts, and foster collaboration and understanding.
- USCG conducted Boarding Officer Training Seminars in Palau (February 19 – March 1, 2024) and Timor Leste (May 20-31, 2024).
- USCG conducted Outboard Motor Maintenance Training Seminars in Tuvalu (March 15 – April 5, 2024) and Palau (April 4-19, 2024).
- As part of the INL Quad Pacific Pilot, Foundation-level MDA training was successfully delivered to maritime law enforcement

personnel from Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Kiribati, and Marshall Islands, with most sessions conducted at UNODC's regional MDA training facility in Suva, Fiji.

- As part of the INL Quad Pacific Pilot, Specialized MDA analytical training was provided to the PFC in Vanuatu, enhancing the region's capacity for maritime intelligence analysis at both basic and intermediate levels.
- As part of the INL Quad Pacific Pilot, Community-focused "soft MDA training" was delivered to village leaders in Tonga.
- U.S. Navy facilitated a workshop on Disaster Response in conjunction with the South West Pacific Hydrographic Commission's 21st Meeting (SWPHC21) in February 2024. Participating countries included Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Niue, Nauru, Palau, PNG, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. The workshop took place over a period of two days and included a scenario driven exercise to evaluate the effectiveness, successes, and shortfalls of the SWPH Disaster Response Framework. The workshop also allowed for strengthening of relationships between representatives and with the International Hydrographic Organization.
- In February of 2024, the USG funded 10 Pacific Island officials' participation in a workshop on maritime boundary delimitation treaty negotiations, held in Singapore at the National University of Singapore's Centre for International Law.

Submitted: 11 Apr 2025 - 13:55 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 08 Sep 2025 - 10:00 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Vanuatu (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

VU is a SIDS - VU received capacity assistance through various means, both from regional organizations as well as from other CCMs. Examples include Assistance received to date are as follows: 1) Sub Regional Observer Training 2) FFA Secondment Program 3) In-country Visit from FFA Secretariat on CMR matters 4) E-PSMA In-Country Visit from FFA Secretariat - VU is anticipating and welcome more capacity assistance on other areas to ensure CCM personnel are well versed with obligations and related requirements

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 17:47 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 11:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Vietnam (Completed 15-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Non-SIDS

Submitted: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Wallis and Futuna (Completed 06-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

No capacity building assistance requested and thus received in the past few years from CCMs. One contract staff in charge of Fisheries Observatory has attended SPC's Tuna Data Workshop in 2024 and 2025. The lack of permanent staff hinders the dpt's capacity to build on training opportunities.

Assistance needs relate to :

- fisheries dpt : data collection, refreshment on WCPFC requirements, processes and current work
- fisheries sector : early career captain capacity building for longline (through boardings as chief mates on well-performing vessels in the region)

Submitted: 06 May 2025 - 07:43 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 26 Jun 2025 - 09:22 Pacific/Pohnpei

Obligation / Requirement

[CMM 2013-07 06-07](#)

Requirements to assist with technology transfers to SIDS and Territories

Notes and Suggested Guidelines:

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SIDS CCMs in preparing this statement might consider providing details on assistance needs that are specific to this category of provisions

Audit Point Definition:

Implementation (IM)

refer to Audit Point Definition for CMM 2013-07 19

The Secretariat confirms that CCM submitted information in AR Pt 2 on any assistance it provided to SIDS/T in accordance with CMM 2013-07, or CCM submitted information on any assistance required.

▼ **American Samoa (Completed 26-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

This does not apply to American Samoa as a SIDS.

Submitted: 26 Jun 2025 - 11:33 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 27 Jun 2025 - 09:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Australia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Australia provides core funding to the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) (AUD5 million per year) to support effective and strengthened cooperative management of the region's tuna resources, including fisheries management and development, and monitoring, control and surveillance. Australia also provides program funding to the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems Division (FAME) of the Pacific Community (AUD3 million per year for its fisheries division) to provide scientific information and support for fisheries management. Australia is providing an additional AUD5m per annum for strengthened FFA and regional MCS activities, including support for new and emerging technologies such e-reporting and e-monitoring.

The Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) is implementing the third phase of a Community Based Fisheries Management initiative to promote the sustainable use of coastal resources. This is a DFAT-funded AUD10 million (including AUD2 million from ACIAR) project over four years (2021-25) with the aim of scaling up community-based fisheries management, aligned with implementation of the Pacific's New Song for Coastal Fisheries.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 10:30 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 13:49 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Canada (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

See response to CMM2013-06 01

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **China (Completed 01-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

To promote cooperation between China and Pacific Island Countries in poverty reduction and enhance their fisheries production capacity and technical capabilities, the 2024 Pacific Island Countries Marine Fisheries Technology Training Program, hosted by the China-Pacific Island Countries Poverty Reduction and Development Cooperation Center and Fujian Provincial People's Government Foreign Affairs Office, and organized by Jimei University, officially commenced on November 20, 2024 at Jimei University. Fisheries officials and technical personnel from Pacific Island Countries including Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Tonga, Solomon Islands, and Nauru participated in the training. During the two-week program, participants engaged in theoretical lectures and field research focusing on breeding and cultivation techniques for aquatic products such as shrimp, abalone, oysters, sea cucumbers, grouper, and large yellow croaker. They explored new technologies, models, and trends in marine fisheries, acquiring more knowledge and skills in the marine fisheries sector to contribute to the development of fisheries in Pacific Island Countries. The program also aims to establish an expert platform to jointly promote future marine fisheries development. China, guided by the principles of the "China-Pacific Island Countries Agricultural and Fisheries Cooperation Nanjing Consensus," fully utilizes the China-Pacific Island Countries Ministers of Agriculture and Fisheries Meeting mechanism to continue implementing fisheries technical assistance projects and advance nearshore aquaculture cooperation with Pacific Island Countries.

Submitted: 01 Jun 2025 - 23:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 16:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Cook Islands (Completed 20-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Cook Islands is a SID County, therefore we consider this audit obligation not applicable. No assistance required

Submitted: 20 May 2025 - 12:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 20 May 2025 - 12:31 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Curacao (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Curacao is an associate member of the UN(SIDS) and is willing to exchange as much experience with other SIDS to improve Fisheries among SIDS countries.

Curacao is part of the Dutch Kingdom and in this regards not an independent country, but receives funding and technical assistance from the Dutch Kingdom as an OCT(Overseas Country and Territories). As Cooperating Non-Member Party Curacao is willing to provide if possible assistance to SIDS if needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:38 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:38 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Ecuador (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Ecuador is a Cooperating Non-Member Party. We will be glad to provide any possible assistance to SIDS as needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:14 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **El Salvador (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

As a developing state, El Salvador does not have technology to share with SIDS. However, by adopting and complying with the applicable CMM adopted by the Commission we are cooperating with science data provision.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:07 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:07 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **European Union (Completed 27-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The EU provides support to the Pacific Region in various sectors such as Oceans' Governance; Climate change and Disaster Risk; Trade; Energy; Health, Gender; Public Finance Management (PFM) and Governance. The activities and initiatives funded by the EU to support pacific SIDS are designed in consultation with SIDS and FFA. Details can be found in the latest EU report on implementation of Article 30 of the Convention and Resolution 2008-01 of WCPFC that was published as a delegation paper to WCPFC21 (ref. WCPFC21-2024-DP17).

Submitted: 27 May 2025 - 21:08 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 20:57 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Federated States of Micronesia (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

FSM is SIDS and a recipient of such assistance and continues collaboration with other SIDS with technological development in programs such as the Electronic Reporting and Electronic Monitoring.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 14:00 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 21:08 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Fiji (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Fiji currently implements 100% vessel coverage on e-reporting and continues to work with SPC that provide the backend support in-country issues experienced during the phase of implementation.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 11:11 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 04 Jun 2025 - 11:53 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ France (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Cooperation and capacity programs exist but are not directly and specifically related to fisheries.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:20 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ French Polynesia (Completed 22-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FP is a developping Territory

Submitted: 22 May 2025 - 07:46 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 08:17 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Indonesia (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Indonesia's involvement in the SIDS (Small Island Developing States) partnership was officially announced at the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, held from September 1 to 4, 2014, in Apia, Samoa. As a committed partner, Indonesia has actively participated in several multi-stakeholder partnership initiatives aimed at supporting SIDS. Notably, Indonesia has been instrumental in the Coral Triangle Initiative, which is operational in several SIDS, including Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. This collaboration underscores Indonesia's dedication to fostering sustainable development and environmental conservation in small island nations.

For further details on these initiatives, you can visit the following links:

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=219>

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=238>

In mid-2020, Indonesia strongly advocated for the mobilization of adequate resources and support for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) during a high-level discussion. The discussion focused on mobilizing international solidarity, accelerating action, and exploring new pathways to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Samoa Pathway for SIDS. Indonesia's call underscores its commitment to supporting the sustainable development and resilience of small island nations, highlighting the need for global cooperation to address the unique challenges faced by SIDS.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 19:12 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 00:32 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Japan (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Japan provided developing States, in particular SIDS with fishery cooperations through Fisheries Grant Aid, JICA, OFCF,FFA Promotion Fund and JTF.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:09 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Kiribati (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Kiribati is one of the SIDS countries.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Liberia (Response Completed by Secretariat)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Not Applicable

▼ Nauru (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Nauru is a SIDS and supports the transferring of fisheries technology to accelerate the social and economic development of SIDS/T

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 14:49 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 19 May 2025 - 14:49 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ New Caledonia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

New Caledonia is a territory and has not required any assistance in this category in 2024. New Caledonia neither received any request in this regard in 2024.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:10 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:10 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ New Zealand (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

As part of New Zealand's International Development Cooperation (IDC), several funding and workstreams relate to assistance to SIDS/T. This includes capacity assistance delivered through the Te Patui programme (under NZ Sustainable Pacific Fisheries), and assistance provided to the Forum Fisheries Agency to develop technologies (electronic Port State Measures tool - ePSM) to enhance SIDS port state capabilities.

Refer to New Zealand's broader response on assistance to Small Island Developing States for further information (SIDS, CMM 2013-06 01).

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:33 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 06:58 Pacific/Pohnpei

Nicaragua (Pending)

✓ Niue (Completed 12-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

SID member and supports this measure

Submitted: 12 Jun 2025 - 17:59 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 17:59 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Palau (Completed 01-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Palau is a SIDS and supports this CMM

Submitted: 01 May 2025 - 13:36 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 13:58 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Panama (Completed 03-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

The Republic of Panama's participation rights in the WCPFC Fisheries Commission are limited to support fishing vessels as CNM.

Submitted: 03 Jun 2025 - 04:32 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 14:43 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Papua New Guinea (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: No

PNG has not identify any technology needs and request for assistance.

✓ **Philippines (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Statement in response to the Audit Point definition:
PH comply requirement of SIDS thru economic engagements

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 23:17 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 01:54 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Republic of Korea (Completed 04-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

In 2024, Korea provided assistance to certain SIDS CCM in relation to ocean thermal energy conversion. It is a four-year project for 2023~2026.

Submitted: 04 Jun 2025 - 17:57 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 16:49 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Republic of Marshall Islands (Completed 29-Mar-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

This does not apply to RMI as a SIDS.

Submitted: 29 Mar 2025 - 14:20 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 May 2025 - 14:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Samoa (Completed 14-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Samoa is a SIDS and has not provided or requested for any assistance as per CMM 2013-07 19 in the reported year, however, Samoa will liaise with the relevant organizations when assistance is needed

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 16:36 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 18:16 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Solomon Islands (Completed 18-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Solomon Islands is not engage in such technology transfer for the year 2024.

Submitted: 18 May 2025 - 12:25 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:04 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Chinese Taipei (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Apart from the scholarship program, we also have fisheries cooperation program, including the aquaculture.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 17:00 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Thailand (Completed 21-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Thailand did not provide direct assistance to SIDS or territories under CMM 2013-07 paragraph 19 during the reporting year. However, Thailand supports the objectives of the measure and remains open to contributing to regional initiatives to support SIDS, including through Commission-led programs.

Submitted: 21 May 2025 - 15:06 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:24 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tokelau (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tokelau is a SIDs country.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:09 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tonga (Completed 03-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tonga is one of the SIDS countries, and therefore this obligation is not applicable. Tonga's national capacity does not provide the ability to assist the capacity development of other SIDs. Tonga is the recipient of capacity development assistance. According to the Fisheries Management Act 2002, under section 4, sub-section (j), "...it promotes and conducts scientific research and develops appropriate technologies in support of fishery conservation and management" Through the support of donors, partners, Japan, New Zealand, and Australia governments, they financially support Tonga in conducting the bio-sampling training, observer refresh training, data collection through OLLO, onboard, and onshore, TAILS, and Close Kin Mark Recapture Sampling. For the protection and preservation of the marine environment, Tonga ratified the MARPOL Convention and the Marine Pollution Prevention Act (MPPA) and incorporated it into the Ministry of Marine National Law. Boarding and inspection of all vessels had 100% coverage, and rubbish records must be submitted. The science division has now collected the drifting FADs and reported them to SPC.

Submitted: 03 Apr 2025 - 15:33 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 17:41 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tuvalu (Completed 23-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

not applicable

Submitted: 23 May 2025 - 09:00 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 28 May 2025 - 09:21 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ United States of America (Completed 11-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

- As part of the INL Quad Pacific Pilot, Hawkeye 360 radio frequency (RF) data collection capabilities under Seavision platform was provided to the PFC for evaluation and eventual pilot distribution of RF-enabled Seavision licenses to the Pacific Islands countries of Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Niue, Palau, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu through September 2025.

• \$6,100,000 - Weather and Ocean Data Collection in the Pacific islands. This program, initiated in the Federated States of Micronesia in 2022 and ending in 2026, supports weather, and climate observing and forecasting in the tropical western Pacific by co-developing new observing technologies in the equatorial western Pacific and supporting capacity development in the region. By working collaboratively with local communities to identify the questions and activities of most interest, and the most appropriate technologies and platforms to provide these communities with lasting benefit, FSM and other regional partners will benefit by having a fora for stakeholders to meet and discuss ocean observing needs and priorities, creating new or enhancing existing products and services to better meet weather, climate, marine forecasting needs, and establishing practices for disseminating that information to user communities and the public.

Submitted: 11 Apr 2025 - 13:57 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 08 Sep 2025 - 10:02 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Vanuatu (Completed 10-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

- VU is a SIDS - VU welcome assistance relating to fisheries science and technology through ePSM , EMS, ER and with the aim to improve all e systems into development of VU. - Anticipating more capacity assistance on other areas to ensure CCM personnel are well versed with obligations and related requirements.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 17:51 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 11:17 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Vietnam (Completed 15-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Non-SIDS

Submitted: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:40 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Wallis and Futuna (Completed 06-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: No

no assistance have been received nor even requested on relevant matters in 2024.

No specific need other than those identified under sections CMM-2013-06-01 and CMM-2013-07-01-03

Submitted: 06 May 2025 - 07:45 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 26 Jun 2025 - 09:33 Pacific/Pohnpei

Obligation / Requirement

[CMM 2013-07 08-09](#)

Requirements to assist SIDS and Territories in the areas of fisheries conservation and management

Notes and Suggested Guidelines:

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Audit Point Definition:

Implementation (IM)

refer to Audit Point Definition for CMM 2013-07 19

The Secretariat confirms that CCM submitted information in AR Pt 2 on any assistance it provided to SIDS/T in accordance with CMM 2013-07, or CCM submitted information on any assistance required.

✓ **American Samoa (Completed 26-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

This does not apply to American Samoa as a SIDS.

Submitted: 26 Jun 2025 - 11:33 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 27 Jun 2025 - 09:48 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Australia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Australia provides core funding to the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) (AUD5 million per year) to support effective and strengthened cooperative management of the region's tuna resources, including fisheries management and development, and monitoring, control and surveillance. Australia also provides program funding to the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine Ecosystems Division (FAME) of the Pacific Community (AUD3 million per year for its fisheries division) to provide scientific information and support for fisheries management.

Australia supports the Pacific to advocate for the sustainable development, management and conservation of the ocean and its resources, including the Office of the Pacific Ocean Commissioner (AUD3.95 million 2023-2026) to support regional advocacy and coordination on climate and ocean issues, including negotiation of the Agreement on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ Treaty) and implementation of SDG14.

Australia has contributed to a regional effort, coordinated by The Pacific Community (SPC), to assist 14 Pacific island countries to establish their maritime zones under international law. Since 2011, 75% of shared boundaries in the Pacific have been negotiated, countries have been supported to establish their exclusive economic zone (EEZ) limits, and lodge claims for areas of extended continental shelf in accordance with UN processes. This latest investment (\$3.5 million, 2024–2027) is a part of Australia's continued support for regional efforts in resolving maritime boundaries.

Australia has provided approximately AUD1 million to the Solomon Islands National University and the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS) at the University of Wollongong, to co-develop and deliver a Graduate Certificate in Pacific Fisheries Governance that provides a foundation qualification for pacific fisheries managers and officials and build expertise and knowledge in fisheries management, development and governance.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 10:52 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 13:50 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Canada (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

See response to CMM2013-06 01

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **China (Completed 02-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

In 2024, in joint statements between China and several Pacific Island nations, it was emphasized that China, together with Pacific Island nations, would advance the implementation of the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific and agreed to strengthen cooperation within frameworks such as the China-Pacific Island Nations Agriculture and Police Training Centers, working together to build a closer China-Pacific Island Nations community with a shared future. On November 20, 2024, the Pacific Island Nations Marine Fisheries Technology Training Program commenced at Jimei University in Fujian Province. Nine fisheries officials and technical personnel from Pacific Island nations gathered in Xiamen for a 17-day marine fisheries technology enhancement training journey. On September 25, 2024, the four-week 2024 Pacific Island Nations Maritime Officials "Chinese Language + Maritime Operations" training program successfully concluded at Quanzhou Normal University in Fujian Province, with 14 maritime officials from seven countries including Fiji, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, Cook Islands, Tonga, and Nauru receiving certificates of completion. During this training, Pacific Island nations' maritime officials studied in-depth courses on port state control inspections, member state compliance audits, and maritime investigations, deepening the foundation for cooperation to further enhance maritime governance capabilities in the Asia-Pacific region.

Submitted: 02 Jun 2025 - 00:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 16:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Cook Islands (Completed 20-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Cook Islands is a SID County, therefore we consider this audit obligation not applicable. No assistance required

Submitted: 20 May 2025 - 12:32 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 20 May 2025 - 12:32 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Curacao (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Curacao is an associate member of the UN(SIDS) and is willing to exchange as much experience with other SIDS to improve Fisheries among SIDS countries. Curacao is part of the Dutch Kingdom and in this regards not an independent country, but receives funding and technical assistance from the Dutch Kingdom as an OCT(Overseas Country and Territories). As Cooperating Non-Member Party Curacao is willing to provide if possible assistance to SIDS if needed, until now Curacao did not receive any request to provide assistance to other SIDS.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:40 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Ecuador (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Ecuador is a Cooperating Non-Member Party. We will be glad to provide any possible assistance to SIDS as needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:14 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **El Salvador (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

By paying the financial contribution established by the Commission, El Salvador makes his effort in hopes to assist SIDS and territories.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:11 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:11 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ European Union (Completed 27-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The EU provides support to the Pacific Region in various sectors such as Oceans' Governance; Climate change and Disaster Risk; Trade; Energy; Health, Gender; Public Finance Management (PFM) and Governance. The activities and initiatives funded by the EU to support pacific SIDS are designed in consultation with SIDS and FFA. Details can be found in the latest EU report on implementation of Article 30 of the Convention and Resolution 2008-01 of WCPFC that was published as a delegation paper to WCPFC21 (ref. WCPFC21-2024-DP17).

Submitted: 27 May 2025 - 21:09 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 03:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Federated States of Micronesia (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

FSM is a SIDS and utilizes this assistance through continued participation in regional and sub-regional discussion platforms on fisheries management.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 14:00 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 21:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Fiji (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Fiji did not undertake any High seas boarding and inspection in 2024 due to the unavailability of surface assets. Fiji however did provide asset providers (QUARDS) with support on High seas areas adjacent to Fiji waters. Fiji support towards the High seas was provided during Operation NASSE in which support was rendered from Australia, New Zealand, France and the United States.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 11:30 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 04 Jun 2025 - 12:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ France (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Cooperation and capacity programs exist but are not directly and specifically related to fisheries.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:21 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:21 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ French Polynesia (Completed 22-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FP is a developing Territory

Submitted: 22 May 2025 - 07:47 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 08:18 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Indonesia (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:**Implemented:** Yes

Indonesia's involvement in the SIDS (Small Island Developing States) partnership was officially announced at the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, held from September 1 to 4, 2014, in Apia, Samoa. As a committed partner, Indonesia has actively participated in several multi-stakeholder partnership initiatives aimed at supporting SIDS. Notably, Indonesia has been instrumental in the Coral Triangle Initiative, which is operational in several SIDS, including Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. This collaboration underscores Indonesia's dedication to fostering sustainable development and environmental conservation in small island nations.

For further details on these initiatives, you can visit the following links:

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=219>

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=238>

In mid-2020, Indonesia strongly advocated for the mobilization of adequate resources and support for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) during a high-level discussion. The discussion focused on mobilizing international solidarity, accelerating action, and exploring new pathways to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Samoa Pathway for SIDS. Indonesia's call underscores its commitment to supporting the sustainable development and resilience of small island nations, highlighting the need for global cooperation to address the unique challenges faced by SIDS.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 19:13 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 00:32 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Japan (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** Yes

Japan provided developing States, in particular SIDS with fishery cooperations through Fisheries Grant Aid, JICA, OFCF, FFA Promotion Fund and JTF.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:09 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Kiribati (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** N/A

Kiribati is one of the SIDS countries depending on assistance from non-SIDS countries.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Liberia (Response Completed by Secretariat)**Response:****Implemented:** N/A

Not Applicable

✓ Nauru (Completed 19-May-2025)**Response:****Implemented:** N/A

Nauru is a SIDS and continues to support this measures

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 14:50 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 19 May 2025 - 14:50 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **New Caledonia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

New Caledonia is a territory and has not required any assistance in this category in 2024. New Caledonia neither received any request in this regard in 2024.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:16 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:16 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **New Zealand (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Refer CMM 2013-06 01 for a broad response to this obligation.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei

Nicaragua (Pending)

▼ **Niue (Completed 12-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

SID member. Niue supports this measure.

Submitted: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:01 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Palau (Completed 01-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Palau is a SIDS and supports this CMM

Submitted: 01 May 2025 - 13:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:01 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Panama (Completed 03-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

The Republic of Panama's participation rights in the WCPFC Fisheries Commission are limited to support fishing vessels as CNM.

▼ Papua New Guinea (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: No

PNG is a SIDS. PNG has not requested any assistance.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 18:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 19:42 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Philippines (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Statement in response to the Audit Point definition:

PH comply requirement of SIDS thru economic engagements

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 23:18 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 02:18 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Republic of Korea (Completed 04-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Korea is providing assistance to certain SIDS CCM to improve its fisheries resources management system for sustainability and to produce fishery products of higher added value. The assistance has been provided through FAO and the duration of the assistance is from 2020 to 2025.

Submitted: 04 Jun 2025 - 17:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 16:49 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Republic of Marshall Islands (Completed 29-Mar-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

This does not apply to RMI as a SIDS.

Submitted: 29 Mar 2025 - 14:20 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 May 2025 - 14:02 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Samoa (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Samoa is considered as a SIDS country and did not utilize any assistance according to this CMM

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 16:37 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 18:16 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Solomon Islands (Completed 18-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Solomon Islands did not request for any assistance towards fisheries conservation and management in the 2024.

Submitted: 18 May 2025 - 12:29 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:07 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Chinese Taipei (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

We did contact some SIDS for the exchange of data and information so as to enhance the fisheries conservation and management.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 17:01 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:39 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Thailand (Completed 21-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Thailand did not provide direct assistance to SIDS or territories under CMM 2013-07 paragraph 19 during the reporting year. However, Thailand supports the objectives of the measure and remains open to contributing to regional initiatives to support SIDS, including through Commission-led programs.

Submitted: 21 May 2025 - 15:13 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:24 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Tokelau (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tokelau is a SIDs country. The obligation is therefore not applicable. No assistance required.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:10 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:10 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Tonga (Completed 03-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tonga is one of the SIDs countries although our current national capacity does not provide Tonga the ability to assist capacity development of other SIDs. Tonga is the recipient of capacity development assistance.

Submitted: 03 Apr 2025 - 15:35 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 17:41 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Tuvalu (Completed 23-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

not applicable

Submitted: 23 May 2025 - 09:01 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 28 May 2025 - 09:21 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ United States of America (Completed 11-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

- The United States contributed \$4.75 million towards a Partners in the Blue Pacific (PBP) commitment to construct an ocean and fisheries science research vessel, which will be owned and operated by the SPC. The United States initially announced, as part of the 2023 U.S.-Pacific Island Forum Summit, intent to contribute \$5 million to co-fund procurement of the vessel; however, that amount

was reduced to \$4.75 million due to cuts to the State Department foreign assistance budget.

- In 2024, NASA launched a new platform that provides foundational information about global sea level and flooding to help inform decisionmaking, resource management, and emergency operations for each coastal country across the globe. The work is a partnership between the U.S. Government Agencies including NASA, State Department, and DoD, as well as international organizations such as UN, WMO, and World Bank. The information is hosted on the earth.gov interagency platform.
- \$2,702,000 - NOAA Resilience Initiative. The NOAA Resilience Initiative started in 2022 and will run through 2027 in the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. Throughout this initiative, NOAA will support and amplify the work of local institutions and knowledge networks to expand critical research, provide local-level sea level information to fisheries managers and other decisionmakers, and address impacts of ocean acidification.

Submitted: 11 Apr 2025 - 13:58 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 08 Sep 2025 - 10:03 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Vanuatu (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

VU is a SIDS - VU has engagement through SPG and other capacity assistance from the secretariat.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 17:57 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 11:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Vietnam (Completed 15-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Non-SIDS

Submitted: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:40 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Wallis and Futuna (Completed 06-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: No

no assistance have been requested nor received in 2024.

Assistance needs : refer to sections CMM-2013-06-01 and CMM-2013-07-01-03

Submitted: 06 May 2025 - 07:47 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 26 Jun 2025 - 09:36 Pacific/Pohnpei

Obligation / Requirement

[CMM 2013-07 10-11](#)

Requirements to assist SIDS and Territories in the areas of Monitoring, Control and surveillance

Notes and Suggested Guidelines:

Non-SIDS CCMs in preparing this statement might consider providing information / details of types of assistance provided to SIDS related to this category of provisions, with an emphasis on the reporting year

SIDS CCMs in preparing this statement might consider providing details on assistance needs that are specific to this category of provisions

Audit Point Definition:

Implementation (IM)

refer to Audit Point Definition for CMM 2013-07 19

The Secretariat confirms that CCM submitted information in AR Pt 2 on any assistance it provided to SIDS/T in accordance with CMM 2013-07, or CCM submitted information on any assistance required.

✓ **American Samoa (Completed 26-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

This does not apply to American Samoa as a SIDS.

Submitted: 26 Jun 2025 - 11:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 27 Jun 2025 - 09:49 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Australia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Australia provides core funding to the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) (AUD5 million per year) to support effective and strengthened cooperative management of the region's tuna resources, including fisheries management and development, and monitoring, control and surveillance. Australia is providing an additional AUD5 million per annum to support strengthened FFA and regional MCS activities, including capacity development of personnel of SIDS and Territories. Australia provides direct fisheries capacity building for SIDS to support national MCS capacity including supporting the annual FFA and SPC MCS Officers Foundation course.

Australia continues to implement the Pacific Maritime Security Program (PMSP) as a centrepiece of our defence engagement in the Pacific. The PMSP provides Australian Government funded capabilities to Pacific nations as sovereign assets to enhance their capacity to provide protection and surveillance of their own resources. The PMSP includes gifting 21 Guardian-class Patrol Boats, long-term commitment to sustainment and training, and contracted civilian aerial surveillance at an overall program cost of AUD2.1 billion over 30 years. The aerial surveillance program and associated regional coordination components are contributing to improving maritime domain awareness and interoperability. The implementation of the PMSP is making a significant contribution to developing the capacity of SIDS to manage and conserve fisheries resources, including through supporting the regional implementation of the Niue Treaty Subsidiary Agreement.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 10:54 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 12:17 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Canada (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

See response to CMM2013-06 01

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **China (Completed 02-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

China's development cooperation with the South Pacific region has been steadily advancing. China's cooperation with South Pacific Island nations is open and transparent, fully respects each country's sovereignty and will, imposes no political conditions, does not target any third party, and has been welcomed and recognized by Pacific Island governments and peoples. China's cooperation with Pacific Island nations is based on their needs. Since establishing diplomatic relations with South Pacific Island nations, cooperation platforms have continuously improved and cooperation intensity has continuously strengthened. Based on partnerships with South Pacific Island nations, China continues to advance deep cooperation at political and economic levels. To further expand development cooperation with South Pacific Island nations, one approach is to leverage key partner countries and utilize China's advantages in areas such as infrastructure construction to enhance development assistance effectiveness. China's assistance to South Pacific Island nations focuses primarily on infrastructure construction, addressing the critical challenges of inadequate transportation infrastructure and limited economic and trade corridors. China's construction of Samoa International Airport and airports and roads in Papua New Guinea has effectively promoted regional cooperation and development among South Pacific Island nations. Future cooperation can build upon infrastructure construction with supporting capacity-building initiatives including maintenance and training, while simultaneously enhancing infrastructure resilience to climate change. Currently, China cooperates with South Pacific Island nations in six major areas: infrastructure construction, poverty reduction, climate change, disaster prevention, agriculture and fisheries, and Juncao technology. China has not yet received any intentions from Pacific Island nations regarding joint fisheries enforcement or strengthening fisheries supervision cooperation. However, China requires that vessels fishing in EEZs and chartered vessels strictly comply with local national laws and regulations. Through the People's Republic of China's Distant Water Fisheries Management Regulations, Fishing License Management Regulations, and WCPFC compliance requirements, among other laws, regulations, and departmental rules, China implements strict compliance requirements for vessels fishing in EEZs and chartered vessels, which also alleviates fisheries supervision pressure on Pacific Island nations and assists Pacific Island fisheries authorities in managing fisheries within their EEZs.

Submitted: 02 Jun 2025 - 01:08 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 16:20 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Cook Islands (Completed 20-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Cook islands is a SID so consider this audit point not applicable, However when assistance is required under this audit point, the Cooks has used the NTIS under the NTSA to request assistance where required.

Submitted: 20 May 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 20 May 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Curacao (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Curacao is also a SIDS , in this regard Curacao is willing to work together with all other SIDS as much as possible and also assist them if necessary to develop national fisheries .

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:44 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:44 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Ecuador (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Ecuador is a Cooperating Non-Member Party. We will be glad to provide any possible assistance to SIDS as needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:15 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:15 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **El Salvador (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

El Salvador is at disposal and cooperates with SIDS and developing coastal States in regards of any VMS issues.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:38 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:38 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ European Union (Completed 27-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The EU provides support to the Pacific Region in various sectors such as Oceans' Governance; Climate change and Disaster Risk; Trade; Energy; Health, Gender; Public Finance Management (PFM) and Governance. The activities and initiatives funded by the EU to support pacific SIDS are designed in consultation with SIDS and FFA. Details can be found in the latest EU report on implementation of Article 30 of the Convention and Resolution 2008-01 of WCPFC that was published as a delegation paper to WCPFC21 (ref. WCPFC21-2024-DP17).

Submitted: 27 May 2025 - 21:10 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 03:15 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Federated States of Micronesia (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

FSM's participation in regional/sub-regional fora on MCS. FSM participated in joint cooperation efforts amongst the FFA membership in maritime surveillance in 2024. FSM's participation in implementations of new CMM's, bilateral arrangements to implement ROP, transshipment monitoring, CDS, EM/ER, PSM, FAD tracking and sharing MCS data when necessary.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 14:01 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 21:10 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Fiji (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Under this obligation,

1. Fiji conducted 10 ariel surveillance in 2024. This was through the support of AU and FFA ariel program.
2. For surface patrol, Fiji conducted 3 patrols, through the assistance of Fiji Navy and British Navy assets.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 11:37 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 05 Jun 2025 - 08:12 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ France (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Cooperation and capacity programs exist as training in fisheries police, control plan, fisheries monitoring and control state center to help the Territory to control and protect its EEZ.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:21 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:21 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ French Polynesia (Completed 22-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FP is a developping Territory

Submitted: 22 May 2025 - 07:47 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 08:18 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Indonesia (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Indonesia's involvement in the SIDS (Small Island Developing States) partnership was officially announced at the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, held from September 1 to 4, 2014, in Apia, Samoa. As a committed partner, Indonesia has actively participated in several multi-stakeholder partnership initiatives aimed at supporting SIDS. Notably, Indonesia has been instrumental in the Coral Triangle Initiative, which is operational in several SIDS, including Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. This collaboration underscores Indonesia's dedication to fostering sustainable development and environmental conservation in small island nations.

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<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=238>

In mid-2020, Indonesia strongly advocated for the mobilization of adequate resources and support for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) during a high-level discussion. The discussion focused on mobilizing international solidarity, accelerating action, and exploring new pathways to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Samoa Pathway for SIDS. Indonesia's call underscores its commitment to supporting the sustainable development and resilience of small island nations, highlighting the need for global cooperation to address the unique challenges faced by SIDS.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 19:14 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 01:02 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Japan (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Japan provided developing States, in particular SIDS with fishery cooperations through Fisheries Grant Aid, JICA, OFCF, FFA Promotion Fund and JTF.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:10 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:10 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Kiribati (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Kiribati is a SIDS and requires support and assistance in both aerial and surface patrols.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:41 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:41 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Liberia (Response Completed by Secretariat)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Not Applicable

▼ Nauru (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Nauru is a SIDS and continues to support this measure.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 14:51 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 19 May 2025 - 14:51 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ New Caledonia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

New Caledonia is a territory and has not required any assistance in this category in 2024. New Caledonia neither received any request in this regard in 2024.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:17 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:17 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **New Zealand (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The New Zealand Government funds the Pacific-wide capacity-building program, Te Pātui, to support sustainable and compliant (MCS) Pacific fisheries. Training includes in-port inspection procedures, high seas boarding and inspection, and Coastal Authorised Officer training.

Te Pātui supports request-based fisheries management and MCS capacity development to countries; request-based IUU investigations and prosecution support to countries; and analytical support and capacity building to FFA Regional Fisheries Surveillance Centre.

New Zealand also supports SIDs' MCS/IUU through participation in regional surveillance operations and deployments to the FFA's Regional Fisheries Surveillance Centre (RFSC).

Refer CMM 2013-06 01 for a broad response to this obligation.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei

Nicaragua (Pending)

✓ **Niue (Completed 12-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

However, Niue has received with appreciation MCS trainings and boarding opportunities under bilateral arrangements with other SID members and also from developing members.

Submitted: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:07 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:07 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Palau (Completed 01-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Palau is a SIDS and supports this CMM

Submitted: 01 May 2025 - 13:41 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:02 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Panama (Completed 03-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

The Republic of Panama, in its capacity as a Cooperating Non-Contracting Party (CNCP) to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC), does not currently hold full participation rights that include formal obligations to provide assistance to SIDS/Territories under the provisions of CMM 2013-07. Therefore, this requirement is considered Not Applicable to Panama.

Nevertheless, Panama reaffirms its commitment to international cooperation and capacity building in the field of Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance (MCS), and remains open to exploring future opportunities for regional collaboration, within the scope of its status and capabilities.

Submitted: 03 Jun 2025 - 04:35 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 10 Jun 2025 - 07:30 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Papua New Guinea (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

PNG did not request for assistance for MCS in this reporting period. PNG may consider assistance where required.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 18:59 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 19:42 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Philippines (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Statement in response to the Audit Point definition:
PH comply requirement of SIDS thru economic engagements

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 23:18 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 02:18 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Republic of Korea (Completed 04-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

In 2024, Korea provided assistance to certain SIDs CCMs to strengthen their capacity to improve their information and communication technology related to MCS by dispatching Korean volunteers with IT expertise through KOICA.

Submitted: 04 Jun 2025 - 18:19 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 16:50 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Republic of Marshall Islands (Completed 29-Mar-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

This does not apply to RMI as a SIDS.

▼ Samoa (Completed 14-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Samoa is a SIDS country. However, when assistance is needed regarding this audit point, Samoa will liaise with the relevant organizations to request support and assistance if needed.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 16:39 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 18:16 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Solomon Islands (Completed 18-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Solomon Islands did not request for any assistance with regards to MCS in the year 2024.

Submitted: 18 May 2025 - 12:31 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:08 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Chinese Taipei (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

We have the scholarship program for training and capacity building. The Chinese Taipei Trust Fund is established and operating since 2016, in accordance with article 30 of the Convention and the requirements in CMM 2013-07.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 17:02 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Thailand (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Thailand did not provide direct assistance to SIDS or territories under CMM 2013-07 paragraph 19 during the reporting year. However, Thailand supports the objectives of the measure and remains open to contributing to regional initiatives to support SIDS, including through Commission-led programs.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 18:11 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:24 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tokelau (Completed 11-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tokelau is a SIDS country. the obligation is not applicable.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:12 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:12 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tonga (Completed 03-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tonga is one of the SIDs countries and therefore this obligation is not applicable. According to Fisheries Management Act 2002, under section 4, sub-section (k) ..." the need to implement and enforce conservation and management measures through effective monitoring, control and surveillance".... According to the Fisheries Management Act 2002, under section 61, sub-section (1), (a) a global, regional, or sub-regional fisheries organization or arrangement of which Tonga is a member, or in which Tonga is a participant, establishes procedures for boarding and inspection of vessels as provided in the Fish Stocks Agreement; Tonga participates in sea

monitoring control and surveillance and also enforcement activities through bilateral arrangements with territories in the Convention area. Tonga was involved in regional surveillance patrol operation Ika Moana, Kurukuru by providing Navy support Unit Voea Ngahau Koula. The National Monitoring Control Committee (MCC), includes the Port Authority, Ministry of Fisheries, Marine Department, Police Department, Customs Department, and the Navy. The MCC Centre is established by the committee and is housed at Navy Station. MCC conducts a national monitoring within our EEZ once per quarter. Aerial surveillance was provided by FFA in all quarters during the reporting period, and no offenses were reported. The New Zealand Government has a bilateral agreement with Tonga on Aerial Surveillance during the Tuimoana Operation through the NTSA System. During the reporting period, Tonga participated in SPC/FFA regional training for observers, observers refresh training, and newly recruited 10 observers on board, SPC conducted bio-sampling training with observers and staff. Few staff join Certificate IV on Coastal and Aquaculture, Diploma on Investigation and Prosecution Cert, Certificate Level IV on Fisheries Enforcement and Compliance, and Law of the Seas Courses. SPC also conducted training on e-reporting basically for data collection through OLLO, Onboard, and onshore, TAILS, and Close Kin Mark Recapture Sampling training, and SPC also conducted training the Science Division on stock assessment for sea cucumbers. FFA financially supported Tonga in conducting the e-PSM training and Tonga was the first country to implement the e-PSM, Dockside Boarding, NTSA training, and Aerial Surveillance Training. If we conducted the Monitoring Control and Surveillance and detected an offense, the Fisheries Management Act 2002, Section 19, sub-section (5) "shall be guilty of an offense and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$25,000". Tonga has a Standard procedure for infringement and is taken up to Court.

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▼ Tuvalu (Completed 23-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

not applicable

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▼ United States of America (Completed 11-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The State Department's INL-funded and Quad-backed Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain Awareness Pacific pilot, with implementing partners - Naval Information Warfare Center Pacific and UNODC Global Maritime Crime Programme, contributed \$4,839,127 in calendar year 2024 towards activities that enhanced maritime domain awareness (MDA) in the Pacific Islands. The projects facilitated critical regional coordination through the 6th and 7th MDA Talanoa Group meetings in Vanuatu and Palau, which included the heads of secretariat and senior officials from the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS), Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA), Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police (PICP), Oceania Customs Organisation (OCO), Pacific Immigration Development Community (PIDC), and Pacific Fusion Center (PFC). Activities also established a Maritime Group of Immigration Officers in cooperation with the PIDC.

The U.S. Coast Guard worked closely with SIDS to deter IUU fishing through patrols and joint maritime domain awareness efforts.

- Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) Operations:

In 2024, USCG supported four Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) Operations including Rai Balang, Kuru Kuru, Island Chief and Tui Moana with surface and air maritime security presence to counter IUU fishing. Operation Rai Balang resulted in sighting 14 vessels of interest.

- Operation Nasse 2024

USCG supported Operation Nasse 2024, an annual multilateral monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS) activity, that targets illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing in the Western Central Pacific Ocean (WCPO) on the high seas. During the operation, USCG aircraft conducted five sorties and sighted 28 fishing vessels, of which, one was fishing on the high seas and not broadcasting on VMS and two did not have tori lines.

- Operation North Pacific Guard

USCG participated in Operation North Pacific Guard 2024, an annual multi-mission effort between USCG, NOAA, Canada and international partners focused on countering IUU fishing in the North Pacific to protect global fish stocks. USCG aircraft and crew completed five 12-day deployments and observed 411 vessels across WCPFC and NPFC conventions resulting in multiple vessels of interest. Additionally, a USCG cutter completed HSBIs.

- Bilateral Shiprider Boardings:

In 2024, USCG cutters enacted bilateral agreements with Cook Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea (PNG), Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu to support patrolling of their exclusive economic zones and completed 70 bilateral shiprider boardings (42 on fishing vessels and 28 on sailing vessels) comprising of 04 with Cook Islands, 35 with Fiji, 02 with Kiribati, 04 with Palau, 03 with RMI, 05 with Samoa, 05 with PNG, and 12 with Vanuatu.

- U.S. – Palau Bilateral Agreement

At the request of the Republic of Palau and in response to their concerns of potential illicit maritime activity occurring in Palau's EEZ,

USCG Forces Micronesia Sector Guam (FMSG) and USCG Air Station Barbers Point dispatched personnel and equipment in September 2024 to enact the agreement between the U.S. and Palau Concerning Operational Cooperation to Suppress Illicit Transnational Maritime Activity (U.S. – Palau Bilateral Agreement), and in doing so enhanced Palau's maritime domain awareness. A USCG HC-130 Hercules and aircrew embarked Palauan enforcement officials and USCG specialists to patrol over 6,000 miles, identifying numerous illegal fish aggregation devices (FADs) and sighting vessels in and around Palau's EEZ.

- Operation Rematau

Two USCG vessels, the USCGC Frederick Hatch (WPC 1143) and USCGC Oliver Henry (WPC 1140) contributed to maritime security, domain awareness, and economic prosperity in the waters around FSM through Operation Rematau. In response to an FSM state-declared emergency drought in early 2024, the Frederick Hatch transported 1,500 lbs. of non-perishable food, 1,200 lbs. of water, other essential supplies, and organized a donation drive in partnership with the Ayuda Foundation and the Ulithi-based One People One Reef research foundation. This crew also responded to a request from the government of Yap to deter illegal sea cucumber poaching near Ngulu Atoll. During a September 2024 patrol of FSM EEZ, the crew of Oliver Henry rescued six fisherman.

- Oceania Maritime Security Initiative (OMSI):

USCG Law Enforcement Officers supported the Oceania Maritime Security Initiative (OMSI) program, a Secretary of Defense program leveraging DoD assets transiting the region to increase maritime domain awareness and support maritime law enforcement operations in Oceania.

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▼ Vanuatu (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

VU is a SIDS - VU actively participated in numerous regional operations on surveillance and monitoring, both assets and personnel as required by mandate of such engagements. This include MCS operations coordinated by the FFA RFSC. - Seeking further capacity assistance in this area to ensure its personnel and line agencies respond and operate more efficiently whenever needed.

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▼ Vietnam (Completed 15-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Non-SIDS

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▼ Wallis and Futuna (Completed 06-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: No

no assistance have been provided direct to CCM from other CCMs.

SPC (S. HARE, 2019) conducted an assessment of IUU fishing potential risk in the EEZ, based on a backward analysis of VMS and AIS logs over 2014-2018. Though it concluded that no UNN fishing have taken place over the period, a lot of people keep on thinking that the EEZ is illegally harvested and that it explains the scarcity of tuna nearshore and offshore.

Assistance from other CCMs would pertain to :

- cooperation to ensure no vessel nears or enters WF EEZ without VMS on, to experiment and implement new technologies for real-time surveillance, like cross-checking detection of radar signals by satellite and VMS tracking
- investigations on whether tuna resources are declining faster than around and what are the factors responsible for that

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Obligation / Requirement

[CMM 2013-07 12-18](#)

Requirements to support for the Domestic Fisheries Sector and Tuna-fisheries related businesses and market access

Notes and Suggested Guidelines:

Non-SIDS CCMs in preparing this statement might consider providing information / details of types of assistance provided to SIDS related to this category of provisions, with an emphasis on the reporting year

SIDS CCMs in preparing this statement might consider providing details on assistance needs that are specific to this category of provisions

Audit Point Definition:

Implementation (IM)

refer to Audit Point Definition for CMM 2013-07 19

The Secretariat confirms that CCM submitted information in AR Pt 2 on any assistance it provided to SIDS/T in accordance with CMM 2013-07, or CCM submitted information on any assistance required.

▼ **American Samoa (Completed 26-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

This does not apply to American Samoa as a SIDS.

Submitted: 26 Jun 2025 - 11:35 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 27 Jun 2025 - 09:49 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Australia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Australia provides core funding to the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) (AUD5 million per year) to help Pacific Island countries strengthen national capacity and regional solidarity for the sustainability, control and development of offshore fisheries in the Pacific and improve access to export markets. The Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) is implementing the third phase of a Community Based Fisheries Management initiative to promote the sustainable use of coastal resources. This is a DFAT-funded AUD10 million (including AUD2 million from ACIAR) project over four years (2021-25) with the aim of scaling up community-based fisheries management, aligned with implementation of the Pacific's New Song for Coastal Fisheries.

Australia has provided approximately AUD1 million to the Solomon Islands National University and the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS) at the University of Wollongong, to co-develop and deliver a Graduate Certificate in Pacific Fisheries Governance that provides a foundation qualification for pacific fisheries managers and officials and build expertise and knowledge in fisheries management, development and governance.

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▼ **Canada (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

See response to CMM2013-06 01

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▼ **China (Completed 02-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

China has long recognized the importance of developing the PICs fishing capabilities, acknowledging their desire to advance their own fisheries. We are committed to promoting fisheries cooperation between China and the Pacific Island nations. In terms of high-level China-Pacific Island fisheries cooperation, China has already hosted three China-Pacific Island Fisheries Cooperation Forums. These forums serve as a platform for cooperation with members of the Pacific Island fisheries community, fostering comprehensive exchanges and targeted development.

China has always approached and developed its relations with Pacific Island nations from the perspective of building a community with a shared future for mankind, cherishes the deep friendship established with Pacific Island nations, and is committed to providing assistance within its capacity for their economic development and livelihood improvement. In 2024, China held the "One Country One Product" Pacific Island Nations Launch Ceremony and Seminar in Nanjing, aimed at promoting agricultural development in Pacific Island nations, helping them improve comprehensive agricultural utilization, and supporting the construction of more resilient and sustainable agri-food systems. Eight Pacific Island nations showcased their specialty agricultural products. FAO representatives introduced the implementation progress and achievements of "One Country One Product" globally and in the Asia-Pacific region, while representatives from multiple countries shared their implementation experiences, challenges faced, and cooperation needs. In 2024, China continued to encourage its fishing enterprises to arrange vessels through chartering arrangement to local companies, aiding these PICs in accumulating historical fishing data in their Exclusive Economic Zones and on the high seas. We remain dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the construction of comprehensive fisheries bases in the Pacific Islands, including maintaining ship repair yards and processing plants in the ports of these nations to advance the construction of their fisheries industry chains. China is also employing local labor working on Chinese LL fishing vessels to boost local employment rates.

As of 2024, the vast majority (approximately 70-80%) of catches by Chinese distant-water fishing fleets in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean come from Pacific Island Countries' EEZs, with only 20-30% from the high seas. Among these, purse seine vessels show the highest dependence on island nations' EEZs, with approximately 95-96% of their catches from EEZs; low-temperature longline vessels primarily targeting albacore tuna obtain about 75% of their catches from EEZs; ultra-low temperature longline vessels (only 30 vessels, accounting for one-tenth of China's total active longline fishing vessels in 2024, representing a very small proportion) have a relatively higher proportion of high seas operations, but still derive approximately 60% of their catches from EEZs. These data clearly demonstrate that Chinese distant-water fisheries operate primarily within Pacific Island nations' jurisdictional waters in full legal compliance, fully respecting coastal states' sovereign rights, and making positive contributions to the economic development of island nations.

The participation of Chinese distant-water fisheries enterprises in Pacific Island nations through fishing access and chartering arrangements demonstrates high-level engagement with the region. These vessels primarily operate through fishing access or charter arrangements with 10 Pacific Island nations including Kiribati, Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, Tuvalu, Nauru, Cook Islands, Solomon Islands, Marshall Islands, and Micronesia. In 2024, Chinese enterprises paid approximately 8.73 million RMB and 52.25 million USD in fishing access fees to Pacific Island nations, including license fees, VDS day fees, and other charges. In joint statements with Pacific Island nations, China welcomes their participation in high-quality Belt and Road cooperation, and is willing to strengthen the alignment between the Belt and Road Initiative and Pacific Island nations' development strategies, expand practical cooperation in fisheries, infrastructure, tropical agriculture, aviation and maritime transport, agricultural and fisheries processing, and green and low-carbon sectors, provide assistance within its capacity to participating Pacific Island nations in achieving independent and sustainable development, and jointly maintain the security of bilateral cooperation projects and personnel. China welcomes more specialty products from Pacific Island nations entering the Chinese market, including encouraging positive market access for new products such as fisheries products, and encourages Chinese enterprises to invest and establish businesses in Pacific Island nations, with both sides willing to provide mutual policy support and facilitation in this regard.

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✓ **Cook Islands (Completed 21-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Cooks is a SID. Cook Islands is not a port state and rely's heavily on tourism. As such, domestic processing is not favourable.

Submitted: 21 May 2025 - 07:17 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 21 May 2025 - 07:17 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Curacao (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Curacao is an associate member of the UN(SIDS) and is willing to exchange as much experience with other SIDS to improve Fisheries among SIDS countries.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:47 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:47 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Ecuador (Completed 13-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Ecuador is a Cooperating Non-Member Party. We will be glad to provide any possible assistance to SIDS as needed.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:16 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 06:16 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **El Salvador (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

El Salvador has its own needs as developing country, but is taking steps towards private sector involvement and investment in capacity building to improve value chain schemes that benefit small fisheries. Through the financial contribution every year, El Salvador makes his efforts to support SIDS needs.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:57 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 10:57 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **European Union (Completed 27-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The EU provides support to the Pacific Region in various sectors such as Oceans' Governance; Climate change and Disaster Risk; Trade; Energy; Health, Gender; Public Finance Management (PFM) and Governance. The activities and initiatives funded by the EU to support pacific SIDS are designed in consultation with SIDS and FFA. Details can be found in the latest EU report on implementation of Article 30 of the Convention and Resolution 2008-01 of WCPFC that was published as a delegation paper to WCPFC21 (ref. WCPFC21-2024-DP17)

Submitted: 27 May 2025 - 21:13 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 03:21 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Federated States of Micronesia (Completed 06-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

FSM's Involvement in PNA marketing initiative most specifically the MSC development to broaden the marketing value in FSM's fishing industry. In addition to improving the market value, FSM receives regional and sub-regional assistance in MCS capacity building to meet certification requirement that will allow fishing stocks to be market to high valued vendors. Assistance in implementing port state measure minimum standards aims to achieve these marketing objectives. This is an ongoing work.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 14:02 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 21:11 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Fiji (Completed 19-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Fiji's has a 100% domestic tuna sector. As part of Fiji's 2024 support towards the tuna sector, Government allocation remained at 90,000 USD to support markets access for MSC certification. Additionally, to boost and streamline fish processing, Fiji has begun work to digitalize vessel arrivals via Electronic Port State Measures (EPSM) and catch verification via Catch Accountancy System (CAS) to support catch verification process and market demands. There is also a assessment and review of internal processors to ensure that appropriate activities are developed to support Fiji's domestic industry.

Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 11:41 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 05 Jun 2025 - 08:15 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **France (Completed 14-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

France-OT assists and supports its territories in developing local products market, conducting trainings for fishermen, or by setting up national tax exemption.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:22 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 02:22 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ French Polynesia (Completed 22-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

FP is a developing Territory

Submitted: 22 May 2025 - 07:48 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 08:18 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Indonesia (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Indonesia's involvement in the SIDS (Small Island Developing States) partnership was officially announced at the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, held from September 1 to 4, 2014, in Apia, Samoa. As a committed partner, Indonesia has actively participated in several multi-stakeholder partnership initiatives aimed at supporting SIDS. Notably, Indonesia has been instrumental in the Coral Triangle Initiative, which is operational in several SIDS, including Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. This collaboration underscores Indonesia's dedication to fostering sustainable development and environmental conservation in small island nations.

For further details on these initiatives, you can visit the following links:

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=219>

<http://www.sids2014.org/partnerships/countries/?country=238>

In mid-2020, Indonesia strongly advocated for the mobilization of adequate resources and support for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) during a high-level discussion. The discussion focused on mobilizing international solidarity, accelerating action, and exploring new pathways to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Samoa Pathway for SIDS. Indonesia's call underscores its commitment to supporting the sustainable development and resilience of small island nations, highlighting the need for global cooperation to address the unique challenges faced by SIDS.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 19:14 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 01:04 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Japan (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Japan provided developing States, in particular SIDS with fishery cooperations through Fisheries Grant Aid, JICA, OFCF, FFA Promotion Fund and JTF.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:10 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:10 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Kiribati (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Kiribati appreciates the assistance and support provided by development partners towards domestic fisheries related projects.

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:42 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 21:42 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Liberia (Response Completed by Secretariat)

Response:

Implemented: N/A
Not Applicable

▼ Nauru (Completed 19-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A
Nauru is a SIDS and continues to support this measure
Submitted: 19 May 2025 - 14:52 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 19 May 2025 - 14:52 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ New Caledonia (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A
New Caledonia is a territory and has not required any assistance in this category in 2024. New Caledonia neither received any request in this regard in 2024.
Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:19 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 09:19 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ New Zealand (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes
New Zealand has no trade restrictions or barriers on tuna imports from the Pacific.

NZ\$5.3 million for the Increasing Employment and Economic Benefits from Tuna Fisheries (IEEBTF) Activity (Phase III). This activity helps FFA members to support their small and medium sized enterprises, facilitate investment, and maintain market access.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 06 Jun 2025 - 12:34 Pacific/Pohnpei

Nicaragua (Pending)

▼ Niue (Completed 12-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A
Niue is a SIDS and not a port state
Submitted: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:08 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 20:33 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Palau (Completed 01-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Palau is a SIDS and supports this CMM, and may seek assistance in the future.

Submitted: 01 May 2025 - 13:43 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:06 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Panama (Completed 03-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

The Republic of Panama's participation rights in the WCPFC Fisheries Commission are limited to support fishing vessels as CNCP.

Submitted: 03 Jun 2025 - 04:38 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 03 Jun 2025 - 04:38 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Papua New Guinea (Completed 06-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: No

PNG did not seek any assistance from the WCPFC in this reporting period.

Submitted: 06 Jun 2025 - 18:59 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 19:43 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Philippines (Completed 13-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

Statement in response to the Audit Point definition:

PH comply requirement of SIDS thru economic engagements

Submitted: 13 Jun 2025 - 23:18 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 02:18 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Republic of Korea (Completed 04-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

In 2024, Korea provided assistance to certain SIDs CCM to improve their overall fisheries infrastructure through "Fishing Community Development Project".

Submitted: 04 Jun 2025 - 18:24 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 09 Jun 2025 - 16:50 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ Republic of Marshall Islands (Completed 29-Mar-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

This does not apply to RMI as a SIDS. No additional assistance required at this time, however, the RMI may seek further assistance with onshore developments and market access requirements.

Submitted: 29 Mar 2025 - 14:22 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 May 2025 - 14:02 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Samoa (Completed 14-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Samoa is a SIDS country. However, when assistance is needed regarding this audit point, Samoa will liaise with the relevant organizations to request support and assistance.

Submitted: 14 Jun 2025 - 16:48 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 14 Jun 2025 - 18:17 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Solomon Islands (Completed 18-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Solomon Islands did not request for any assistance towards our domestic fisheries sector in the year 2024.

Submitted: 18 May 2025 - 12:33 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 15:09 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Chinese Taipei (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: Yes

We do not have specific market and trade requirement for SIDS. We have encouraged our private sector to invest in SIDS so as to support the development of SIDS' domestic fisheries. In addition, we initiate dialogues with some SIDS to enhance cooperation on this matter.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 17:03 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 14:40 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Thailand (Completed 10-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Thailand did not provide direct assistance to SIDS or territories under CMM 2013-07 paragraph 19 during the reporting year. However, Thailand supports the objectives of the measure and remains open to contributing to regional initiatives to support SIDS, including through Commission-led programs.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 18:13 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 12 Jun 2025 - 18:24 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Tokelau (Completed 11-Jun-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tokelau is a SIDS country, therefore the obligation does not apply.

Submitted: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:14 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 08:14 Pacific/Pohnpei

✓ **Tonga (Completed 03-Apr-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Tonga is one of the SIDS countries and therefore this obligation is not applicable. To support the Domestic Fisheries Sector and Tuna-fisheries businesses and market access, Tonga implemented it under the Fisheries Management Act 2002, Section 7, Sub-section 36, Fishing Vessels License Term and Condition, Fishing Agreement and Access Agreement with the Fishing Company and Tuna Fisheries Management Plan. Ministry of Fisheries established a Development Scheme for the Fisheries Sector to improve the business climate and reduce the cost of doing business a Fishing Consumer Tax Exemption was approved in June 2013 exempting imported fishing gear, bait, and essential supplies from customs tariffs. In 2013 the operation of the Tu'imatamoana fish market and Processing Facilities was transferred under an MOU to the National Fisheries Committee (Fishing Industries Committee). In addition, the Ministry of Fisheries established a Soft Loan Scheme known Fisheries Development and Export Fund (FDEF) to support the sector market Access. Not only that but the Ministry assisted the Fishing Companies in developing and improving their business planning and management, and offered a comprehensive training and capacity development program. In 2020, Tonga ratified the PACER Plus Agreement is a Regional Development-Centre Trade Agreement designed to support Tonga in regional and Global Trade. Tonga exports fish to international markets (Australia, NZ, USA, Fiji, Pangopango, Hawaii, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Singapore). The compliance Division inspects 100% of every export before handing the Export Permit to the companies, and entry the export data into the system and reports every quarter.

Submitted: 03 Apr 2025 - 15:37 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 13 Jun 2025 - 17:42 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Tuvalu (Completed 23-May-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

not applicable

Submitted: 23 May 2025 - 09:03 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 28 May 2025 - 09:22 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ United States of America (Completed 11-Apr-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

The United States provided \$26 million to support economic development in SIDS under an Economic Assistance Agreement with the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (FFA) related to the 1987 Treaty on Fisheries. The funds are managed by FFA and Pacific Island Parties to the 1987 Treaty on Fisheries and support a range of sustainable fisheries development, economic development, and capacity building activities.

The Pacific American Fund (PAF) is a \$35 million, five-year grant facility that addresses critical development challenges across 12 Pacific Island Countries (PICs), including the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, the Republic of Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. For example, it has supported supports the development small-scale construction that: 1. Improves the enabling environment for increased trade and investment, 2. Promotes the expansion and further development of the agribusiness sector, and 3. Enhances natural resources governance. \$4,405,000 of these funds were disbursed during RY24.

Submitted: 11 Apr 2025 - 14:00 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 08 Sep 2025 - 10:04 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Vanuatu (Completed 10-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: Yes

- VU is a SIDS. - Capacity assistance required for development of the National CDS plan .VU definitely needs capacity assistance for both domestic and international markets. CCM sees the importance in having such assistance as it will boost domestic and international market standards as well.

Submitted: 10 Jun 2025 - 18:05 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 11 Jun 2025 - 11:24 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ Vietnam (Completed 15-Jun-2025)

Response:

Implemented: N/A

Non-SIDS

Submitted: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:42 Pacific/Pohnpei , Updated: 15 Jun 2025 - 21:42 Pacific/Pohnpei

▼ **Wallis and Futuna (Completed 06-May-2025)**

Response:

Implemented: No

no support from other CCMs have been received during the reference year and before.
Refer to sections CMM-2013-06-01 and CMM-2013-07-01-03 for assistance needs

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