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FUTURE WORK PLAN OF THE *AD HOC* TASK GROUP ON DATA

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ISSUES:

1. WCPFC6 agreed that the work of the AHTG-Data should continue on an *ad hoc* basis with an initial focus at TCC6 on considering the issue of data provision by chartered vessels and the issue of attribution of catches under charter arrangements.
2. No work was undertaken on data provision by chartered vessels, however, Gillett, Preston and Associates are expected to provide a preliminary report on this subject by mid-December 2010.
3. TCC6 recommended to WCPFC7 that the AHWG [data] should also consider:
 - a) the right of chartering states to access data
 - b) that the process for data release takes into account the right of the chartering state with respect of data it has provided for chartered vessels.

ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

4. The Commission is invited to provide guidance on the future work plan for the ADTG-Data.
5. The three issues requiring further work by this group discussed by TCC6 were:
 - a) data provision by chartered vessels;
 - b) the right of chartering states to access data; and
 - c) the process for data release, taking into account the right of the chartering state with respect of data it has provided for chartered vessels.