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Mr Chairman, we support the statement of Nauru. We also have some comments to make on applicable limits under CMM 2008-01. In working paper 31, we can see that Table 2b and Table 3 have sought, based on the best available information, to provide an indication of the applicable limits for CCMs under CMM 2008-01.

However, there is potential for confusion because the titles of Table 2b and Table 3 refer to limits applicable under 2005-01 and 2006-01, providing a basis for the applicable limits for CCMs fishing activities under 2008-01. We would propose that for 2009 and onwards, it would be appropriate that tables which are developed by the Secretariat for CCMs compliance with 2008-01, refer to 2008-01 instead of measures that are no longer in force.

In this regard, we also would like to thank the Secretariat for including in Table 2b of Attachment 2 to this paper, the footnotes references to paragraphs 2, 6 and 7 of CMM 2008-01, which my Cook Islands colleague, requested at SC5 be included in future iterations.

Finally, we would ask that the footnote to Table 2 at the top of page 17 be carried forward into future tables of implementation of CMM 2008-01 and Table 3 on page 19.