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**KOREA – DRAFT CMM ON APPLICATION OF THE FAD CLOSURES OF CMM
2008-01**

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Proposed by the Republic of Korea

Noting that the WCPF Commission adopted at its 5th session the Conservation and Management Measures for Bigeye and Yellowfin tuna in the western and central Pacific Ocean (CMM2008-1) to reduce juvenile Bigeye tunas mortalities from fishing on FADs;

Concerned that incomplete implementation of FAD closure provisions of CMM2008-1 will undermine the effectiveness of this measures,

Further concerned to strengthen the implementation of FAD closure, as a priority, through establishing a simple but highly effective measure to be applied all across the fleet during 2010/2011 FAD closure period,

Noting further the SC5 paper (WCPFC-SC5-2009/ST-WP-07) finding that 94% of sets on FAD occurred prior to official sunrise, while only 3% of unassociated school sets occurred before sunrise

Desiring to put into place a simple but highly effective measure in order for the Commission benefiting from compliance with, and easier enforcement of FAD closure.

Adopts in accordance with Article 10 of the Convention, the following measure to be read as a part of CMM2008-1:

1. The purse seine fishery in the Convention Area bounded by 20N and 20S shall be closed from midnight until official sunrise local time based on GMT/UTC during FAD closure period during 2010 and 2011.
2. This measure will be subject to annual review based on the advices or recommendations of SC and TCC.