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CNM APPLICATIONS FOR 2014

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- 1. The Sixth Regular Session of the Commission (WCPFC6) adopted Conservation and Management Measure 2009-11 (CMM 2009-11) 'Cooperating Non-Members' (which replaced CMM 2008-02 and before that CMM 2004-02). The decisions to be made by the Commission are set out in paragraphs 8 and 12-13, which is a two-step process:
 - 8. The Commission shall accord CNM status on an annual basis. It may renew the CNM status subject to a review of the CNM's compliance with the Convention's objectives and requirements.
 - 12. Without prejudice to the sovereign rights of coastal States for the purpose of exploring and exploiting, conserving and managing highly migratory fish stocks within areas under national jurisdiction, and following the granting of CNM status, the Commission shall, where necessary, determine how the participatory rights of CNMs will be limited by the conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission. ...
 - 13. The limits determined for CNMs under paragraph 12 may be reviewed by the Commission from time to time in accordance with this measure and other conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission.

The WCPFC6 Summary Report includes as Attachment S a flowchart that was intended to illustrate the process in CMM 2009-11 (Attachment 1)

2. Pursuant to CMM 2009-11 paragraph 1, the Secretariat advises that it has received nine (9) applications from CNMs to renew Cooperating Non-Member status for 2014 (see Table 1).

Table 1 List of CNM applications received in 2013 (for 2014)

APPLICANT	DATE OF RECEIPT OF
	APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF
	CNM STATUS (due 28 july 2013)
Belize	9 August 2013
Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK)	6 September 2013
Ecuador	28 June 2013
El Salvador	3 July 2013
Indonesia	27 May 2013
Mexico	24 July 2013
Panama	24 April 2013
Senegal	-
Thailand	15 August 2013
Vietnam	10 July 2013

^{**}At the time of writing the Secretariat had not received an application from Senegal to renew CNM status for 2014

- 3. Copies of these applications, any additional information from the applicants and copies of the letters sent by the WCPFC Secretariat to the applicants post-TCC9 are available on the CCM section of the WCPFC website (http://www.wcpfc.int/ccm/2013-cooperating-non-member-applications). A list of these documents will be maintained as part of the WCFPC10 List of Documents (WCPFC10-2013-04).
- 4. There are two additional matters which are relevant to WCPFC10's consideration of CNM applications:
 - On 7th September 2013 Saint Kitts and Nevis advised WCPFC that they do not wish to be considered for Cooperating Non-Member renewal in 2014.
 - On 13 November 2013 a copy of a letter from Indonesia to WCPFC Executive Director was circulated to CCMs (Circular 2013-121) advising that they have submitted their ratification instrument with the Depositary.

WCPFC10 is invited to decide with respect to each Cooperating Non-Member applicant whether to accord Cooperating Non-Member status.

It is expected that a working group will be established to prepare draft decisions points for consideration by WCPFC10 relevant to any reviews of Cooperating Non-Member participatory limits.

Was the application to request CNM status (new or renewal) submitted in English at least 60 days before the TCC? (Para. 1)

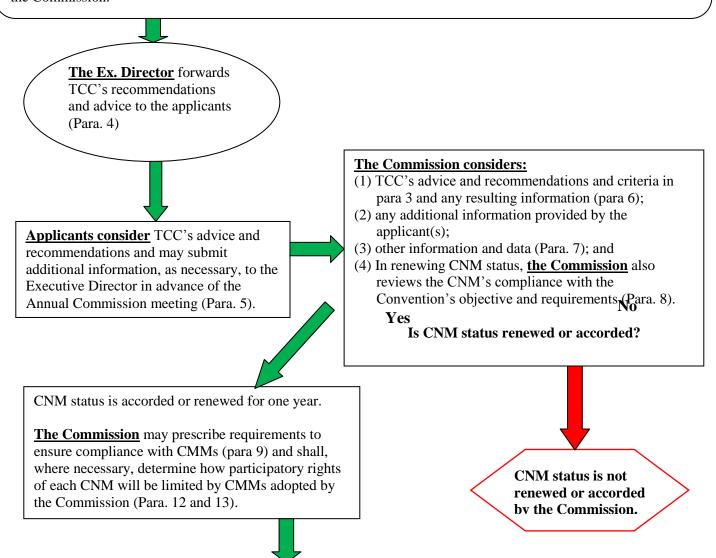




The <u>TCC considers</u> all applications that met the deadline. It may consider those that did not, as appropriate.

The <u>TCC assesses</u> whether the applications includes all the information required (Para. 3a) and has fulfilled the requirements of paragraph 3.

The <u>TCC provides recommendations and technical advice</u> on the applications, using criteria in paragraph 3, to the Commission.



<u>CNMs</u> are entitled to participate in Commission and subsidiary body meetings as an observer (Para. 10).

<u>CNMs</u> shall comply with the requirements of Paras. 9 and 11 and be invited by the Commission to make financial contributions (Para. 14).

<u>The Commission</u> shall monitor the activities and compliance of CNMs and shall take appropriate action against CNMs deemed to have undermined CMMs. (Paras. 15 and 16).