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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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AGENDA ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Session will open at 8.30am on Monday, 2 December 2013.

The Chair Dr Charles Karnella will welcome delegates from WCPFC Members, Cooperating Non-Members and Participating Territories (CCMs) and Observers.

1.1 Welcoming addresses

The Chair will introduce dignitaries who make the welcoming address.

Following the opening ceremony, the Chair will deal with procedural matters of the Session.

1.2 Adoption of agenda

The provisional agenda for WCPFC10 was prepared and distributed on 10 October 2013. The Rules of Procedure provide that Members may propose supplementary agenda items up until 30 days before the meeting (Rule 3) (2 November 2011). The Agenda, as modified, will need to be adopted by the meeting (Rule 5).

1.3 Meeting arrangements

The Commission will review the Indicative Schedule. The Chair, through the Secretariat, will outline any logistical and administrative arrangements in place to support the meeting, proposed meeting times and any social engagements.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER APPLICATIONS

2.1 Status of the Convention

The Commission will receive a brief report from New Zealand on the status of the Convention.

¹ Rev : since the provisional agenda was circulated as WCPFC Circular 2013-102 (8 Oct 2013)

2.2 Applications for Observer status

In accordance with Rule 36 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Commission will be advised of any applications for observer status that were received from non-government organisations 50 days in advance of the Session (13 October 2013). The Commission will be advised of those observers that were subsequently invited to participate in the Session.

2.3 Applications for Cooperating Non-Member status

The Commission will consider applications for Cooperating Non-Member (CNM) status for 2013 and decide on granting CNM status to applicants for 2013. The advice and recommendations of the TCC9 in relation to applications received, considered on the basis of procedures provided for in CMM 2009-11 will be available to the Commission. In accordance with paragraph 12 and 13 of CMM 2009-11, the Commission may review the limits of participatory rights of CNMs under CMMs.

AGENDA ITEM 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CCM REPORTS

3.1 Report of the Executive Director on the work of the Commission

The Chair will invite the Executive Director to present the annual report on the work of the Commission for the 2013 calendar year and to highlight future work and budget issues for the Secretariat and the Commission. The Commission will discuss inter-sessional activities of the Commission and future work for the Secretariat.

3.2 Statements of CCMs

CCMs are invited to make statements but as with past practice tabled written statements are preferred.

3.3 Special requirements of developing States

In accordance with Rule 2 (h) of the WCPFC Rules of Procedure, Agenda 3.4 is a standing agenda item on the provisional agenda.

3.3.1 Implementation of Article 30 of the Convention

At WCPFC6 the Chair noted the suggestion by FFA Members for a special agenda item for developed CCMs to report annually on initiatives to implement Article 30 of the Convention. CCMs are requested to report on the implementation of Article 30 of the Convention.

AGENDA ITEM 4. Tropical Tuna Measure CMM 2013-01

4.1 Chairs report on CMM 2013-01 discussions

4.1.1 Outstanding issues

4.1.2 Strategy for progress through WCPFC10

4.1.3 Reporting on CMM 2012-01

4.2 Consideration of any other CMM proposals

The Commission is invited to review and finalize the Chair's draft Tropical Tuna Measure CMM 2013-01

AGENDA ITEM 5. COMMISSION REVIEW

5.1 Review of the Secretariat's matrix

WCPFC9 tasked the ED to review the Performance Review matrix. This has now been discussed with SC, NC and TCC and is again forward for discussion and direction. TCC made recommendations under para 391.

AGENDA ITEM 6. REPORT FROM THE MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES WORKSHOP

6.1 Report on Progress from MOW 2

The Commission is invited to review the outcomes and recommendations from the Management Objectives Workshop and consider any further actions to be taken from the recommendations.

6.2 Future work plan and funding

AGENDA ITEM 7. REPORT ON E-MONITORING AND E-REPORTING PROJECT

The Executive Director and the consultants will report on joint project with SPC on the applicability of e-Monitoring and e-Reporting in the WCPO.

7.1 Report from the study

7.2 Consider options paper for moving forward

AGENDA ITEM 8 Early review of proposed CMMs under agenda item 12

The purpose of this session is to review the proposed new CMMs and decide if any working groups are necessary.

AGENDA ITEM 9 SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

9.1 Report of the ninth regular session of the Scientific Committee

The Chair of the SC, Mr Ludwig Kumoru will provide a summary of the outcomes of the ninth regular session of the Scientific Committee (SC9) which was held in Pohnpei, FSM during 6-14 August, 2013.

The Commission is invited to review the outcomes of the SC9, and determine a program of action to implement agreed responses to the scientific advice and recommendations received.

9.1.1 Stock status of key tuna species

The Scientific Services Provider will present the results of analysis/assessment and the current status of key tuna, billfish and shark stocks in 2013.

9.1.2 Recommendations and advice

The Commission will take any necessary actions on the recommendations and advice from SC9.

- **Data and Statistics Theme**
- **Stock Assessment Theme**
- **Management Issues Theme**
- **Ecosystems and Bycatch Theme**
- **Other issues**

9.2 Future work programme and budget for 2014-2016

The Commission will consider the 2014-2016 SC work programme and budget. The Commission may refer to the advice and recommendations of the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) in relation to budget considerations.

9.3 Adoption of the Summary report

The Commission will review and adopt as appropriate the SC9 Summary report and recommendations

AGENDA ITEM 10 NORTHERN COMMITTEE

10.1.1 Report of the Ninth Regular Session of the Northern Committee

The Chair of the NC, Mr Masanori Miyahara (Japan), will present a summary of the outcomes of NC9 which was held in Fukouka, Japan, 2-5 September 2013.

The Commission is invited to review the outcomes of the NC9, seek additional clarification, request additional scientific and management advice as necessary, and determine a programme of action to formulate and implement CMMs, and the management of these northern stocks.

10.1.1.1 Recommendations and advice

- **Pacific bluefin tuna**
- **North Pacific albacore**
- **North Pacific swordfish**
- **Regional observer programme**
- **Vessel monitoring system**

10.2 Future work programme and budget for 2014-2016

The NC Chair will present a proposed work programme and budget for 2014-2016. The Commission is invited to identify items with implications for the Commission's work programme and budget during the presentation, and consider the 2014-2016 NC work programme for adoption. The Commission may refer to the advice and recommendations of the FAC in relation to budget considerations, noting that costs associated with the NC work programme in respect to northern stocks is supported by the NC Members.

10.3 Adoption of the NC9 Summary Report

The Commission will review and adopt as appropriate the NC Summary report and Recommendations

AGENDA ITEM 11. TECHNICAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

11.1 Report of the Ninth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee

The Chair of the TCC, Ms Rhea Moss-Christian, will present a summary of the outcomes of the Ninth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC9) which was held 25 September - 1 October, 2013 at Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia.

11.1.1 Report on Compliance Monitoring Scheme

- **Provisional CMR and Executive Summary**
- **CMR Recommendations**

The Commission is required in accordance with CMM 2012-02 to consider the Provisional Report recommended by the TCC.

11.1.2 Adoption of the WCPFC IUU Vessel List for 2014

There are no new vessels proposed for the Provisional Vessel List for 2014. In accordance with paragraph 20 of CMM 2010-06, the Commission is invited to review the WCPFC IUU list and TCC9 recommendations, and adopt a new WCPFC IUU vessel list.

11.2 Report of the ROP-TAG The Commission will consider the outcomes of the ROP-TAG.

11.3 Report of the CDS Working Group

The Commission will consider the outcomes of the first meeting of the CDS working group and its work plan.

11.4 Future work programme and budget for 2014-2016

The TCC Chair will present a proposed work programme and budget for 2014 and an indicative budget for 2015 and 2016.

The Commission will consider the 2014-2016 TCC work programme for adoption. The Commission may refer to the advice and recommendations of the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) in relation to budget considerations.

11.5 Legal frameworks from CMMs

TCC9 requested that the Executive Director provide WCPFC10 a paper on the performance review recommendation: “It is recommended that a process be established for consideration and adoption of CMMs to ensure that they are technically sound from a legal point of view and consistent with other CMMs and instruments of WCPFC.”

11.6 Adoption of the TCCC9 Summary Report

The Commission will review and adopt as appropriate the TCC9 Summary report and Recommendations

AGENDA ITEM 12. CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

12.1 Consideration of new CMMs and other conservation requirements

The Commission will consider the new CMM proposed for discussion by members. In addition to the new Tropical Tuna measure CMM 2013-01 there are:

- 12.1.1 Compliance Monitoring Scheme (USA)
- 12.1.2 RFV SSPs proposal (USA)
- 12.1.2 Unique vessel identifiers (USA)
- 12.1.3 Catch reporting (FFA)
- 12.1.4 Eastern high seas pocket (EHSP) (FFA)
- 12.1.5 Port state measures
 - FFA proposal
 - EU proposal
- 12.1.6 Sharks
 - FFA shark proposal
 - EU shark proposal
 - EU silky shark proposal
- 12.1.7 Proposal on fisheries access agreements (EU)
- 12.1.8 Pacific Bluefin tuna (PBT)
 - Draft CMM Pacific Bluefin tuna
 - US letter to Northern Committee
- 12.1.10 Proposal on a revised CMM for South Pacific Albacore
- 12.1.11 FFA Draft CMM on criteria for consideration of CMM proposals
- 12.1.12 FFA Draft CMM on Special Requirements of SIDS and Territories

12.2 Report by PNA members on the vessel day scheme

WCPFC4 (paragraph 325) noted that the Vessel Day Scheme (VDS) was operational and that the VDS is the measure adopted by PNA Members of the Commission for managing capacity and fishing effort in the EEZs of PNA Members. It was agreed that the PNA would provide a report to the Commission on the implementation of the VDS at each annual session of the Commission.

AGENDA ITEM 13. AD HOC TASK GROUP – DATA

The Ad-hoc Task Group on data will have two tasks

- 13.1 Elect a new Chair person
- 13.2 Develop a work programme for 2014 and 2015

AGENDA ITEM 14. REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

The FAC Co-Chair Mr Moses Amos (Vanuatu) will present a summary of the agenda items and issues, advice and recommendations considered at the Seventh Meeting of the Finance and Administration

Committee (FAC7), 1st December 2014 for further consideration, refinement as necessary and adoption by WCPFC10.

14.1 Budget approval for 2014 and indicative budgets for 2015 and 2016

The Commission must formally adopt the budget and work plan for the Commission.

AGENDA ITEM 15. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

15.1 Future structure of the Commission meetings

WCPFC9 discussed WCPFC8-2011-DP/48. At WCPFC10 the Commission will review the current structure of the Commission meetings and consider any further refinement of the structure for better effectiveness of the meetings.

15.2 Election of officers

Rule 8 of the WCPFC Rules of Procedure state that the Chair and a Vice-Chair shall assume office at the end of the session at which they are elected, shall hold office for a period of two years and shall be eligible for re-election. The Commission will elect the following officer bearers of the WCPFC:

- SC Vice Chair
- TCC Chair
- FAC Co-Chair
- Ad Hoc Task Group on Data Chair
- If approved the IWG-ROP Chair

15.3 Venue for next meeting

WCPFC10 will decide on the venue and dates for its next regular session in 2014 and confirm dates and venue for the SC and TCC in 2014.

AGENDA ITEM 16. OTHER MATTERS

The Commission will consider any other matters.

AGENDA ITEM 17. SUMMARY REPORT

The Commission will adopt a Summary Report of its Tenth Regular Session.

AGENDA ITEM 18. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting is scheduled to close at 1700 on Friday, 6 December 2013.