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PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

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AGENDA ITEM 1 OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting will open at 08:30 on Thursday 25 September 2014.

1.1 Welcome

The Chair (Ms Rhea Moss-Christian) will open the Tenth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC10) of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) and welcome delegations of the WCPFC Members, Cooperating Non-Members, Participating Territories (CCMs) and Observers.

1.2 Adoption of agenda

The Chair will introduce the Provisional Agenda for TCC10 (WCPFC-TCC10-2014/02) that was distributed in accordance with Rule 1 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure. The Rules of Procedure adopted at WCPFC1 in December 2004 will apply *mutatis mutandis* until such time as the TCC adopts its own Rules of Procedure (Rule 31). The Rules of Procedure provide that Members may propose supplementary agenda items up until 30 days before the meeting (Rule 3). The Agenda, as modified, will need to be adopted by the meeting (Rule 5).

1.3 Meeting arrangements

The Chair will invite TCC10 to review the Indicative Schedule, noting logistical arrangements in place to support the meeting, proposed meeting times and any social events.

1.4 Introduction of Proposals: new CMM s or draft amendments to current CMMs

Proponents of new CMM proposals will be invited to briefly introduce their proposals.

AGENDA ITEM 2 IUU LIST

In accordance with CMM 2010-06, the TCC10 will review the current WCPFC IUU list and the draft IUU list, and any suitably documented information.

AGENDA ITEM 3 CNM APPLICATIONS

In accordance with CMM 2009-11, TCC10 will consider the applications for CNM status for 2014, and make recommendations and technical advice to the Commission. It is expected that a working group will develop a first draft of draft recommendations and technical advice for TCC10.

¹ Only change since rev1 dated 29 Aug, was correction of document number

AGENDA ITEM 4 STATUS OF FISHERIES PRESENTATION (SPC-OFP)

AGENDA ITEM 5 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPING STATES

In accordance with Rule 2 (h) of the WCPFC Rules of Procedure, *Consideration of the Special Requirements of Developing States pursuant to Part VIII of the Convention* is a standing agenda item on the provisional agenda. In the past, developed CCMs provided reports on initiatives to implement Article 30, specifically in relation to the activities and work program of the TCC.

TCC10 is invited to discuss the special requirements of developing States as it relates to the work of TCC, noting that:

- i) the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015 identified that a TCC priority was to “give effect to obligations related to Small Island Developing States”;
- ii) At WCPFC10 two new CMMs were approved CMM 2013-06 *Conservation and Management Measure on the criteria for the consideration of conservation and management proposals* and CMM 2013-07 *Conservation and Management Measure on the special requirements of SIDS and participating territories*.

5.1 Review effectiveness of Resolution 2008-01 on Aspirations of Small Islands Developing States

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

AGENDA ITEM 6 COMPLIANCE MONITORING SCHEME

This is the fourth year of implementation for the WCPFC Compliance Monitoring Scheme. At WCPFC10, adopted CMM 2013-02 *Conservation and Management Measure for Compliance Monitoring Scheme* which applies for 2014 only.

6.1 Review of draft CMR

In accordance with CMM 2013-02 TCC10 is to review the full Draft Compliance Monitoring Report (CMR) prepared by the Secretariat in the form agreed by WCPFC10. Potential compliance issues will be identified for each CCM, based on information contained in the dCMRs as well as any information provided by CCMs in accordance with paragraph 12 of CMM 2013-02.

Noting that draft and provisional CMRs constitute non-public domain data, the review of draft CMRs will held taking into account the confidentiality of information (CMM 2013-02 para 14).

6.2 Provisional CMR report and Executive Summary

In accordance with CMM 2013-02 paragraphs 14 and 15, TCC10 shall take into account any additional information provided by CCMs, and where appropriate non-governmental organizations and other organizations, and develop a Provisional CMR that will include a provisional assessment of each CCMs Compliance Status and recommendations for any corrective action needed, based on potential compliance issues it has identified in respect of that CCM and using the criteria and considerations for assessing Compliance Status set out in Annex I of CMM 2013-02.

The Provisional CMR will also include an executive summary including recommendations and observations from TCC regarding: (i) Identification of any CMMs that should be reviewed to address implementation or compliance difficulties experienced by CCMs, including any specific amendments or improvements that have been identified (**TCC10 Agenda 6.4**),

(ii) capacity building requirements or other obstacles to implementation identified by CCMs, in particular small island developing State Members and Participating Territories, (**TCC10 Agenda 6.3**) and

(iii) additional priority obligations that should be reviewed under the CMS pursuant to paragraph 5 of this measure (**TCC10 Agenda 6.5**).

6.3 Target capacity assistance to areas of need identified by CMR process

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015, noting linkages to recommendations that may be made by TCC in the Provisional CMR Executive Summary.

6.4 Recommendations to revise CMMs prioritized by CMS process which were ambiguous or problematic (TCC Workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015, noting linkages to recommendations that may be made by TCC in the Provisional CMR Executive Summary.

6.5 Recommendation to refine CMM 2013-02 *Compliance Monitoring Scheme* (WCPFC9 para 296)

Noting that CMM 2013-02 *Conservation and Management Measure for Compliance Monitoring Scheme applies* for 2014, TCC10 is invited to discuss this matter.

6.6 Report from the IWG Chair: developing a systematic analysis, prioritization and response mechanism for non-compliance (TCC workplan 2013-15)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

AGENDA ITEM 7 ANNUAL REPORT OF ED

Highlights of WCPFC Secretariat administering of MCS and Compliance programmes

AGENDA ITEM 8 CORE MCS ACTIVITIES - *discussion of technical issues or requirements*

8.1 Vessel Monitoring System (VMS)

The WCPFC Secretariat will be invited to introduce the VMS Annual Report (RP01).

(a) Expiry of VMS manual reporting position reporting requirements on 1 March 2015 (VMS SSPs, Section 5)

WCPFC10 agreed to extend the VMS Manual Reporting provisions (section 5 of VMS SSPs) until 1 March 2015. TCC is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

(b) Review SLAs with Mobile Satellite Provider, develop ALC type approval process – (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

8.2 Regional Observer Programme

The WCPFC Secretariat will be invited to introduce the ROP Annual Report (RP02).

(a) Measuring and monitoring ROP longline coverage (TCC9 para 117)

During TCC9 consultations had taken place between the Secretariat, SPC and CCMs on Table 1 of WCPFC-TCC9-2013/09 and associated issues should continue intersessionally. WCPFC10 agreed with TCC9 recommendation that CCMs identify in their 2014 Annual Report Part 2 which metric they used to calculate the percentage of longline observer coverage for 2013 (TCC9 report para 117). TCC10 is invited to review the new information, further discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

(b) ROP and addressing corruption concerns (TCC9 para 184 and 204)

TCC9 recommended that the WCPFC10 task the WCPFC Secretariat with developing and circulating prior to TCC10 a paper on a Minimum Standard in relation to mechanisms on how to prevent and stop misconduct of observers. Comments should be provided and the paper adjusted and then presented for discussion and endorsement at TCC10. (TCC10 paragraph 184). TCC9 also agreed that responses from members about how to best deal with corruption issues, such as those involving blackmail, bribery and extortion, should be tabled for discussion at TCC10. (TCC9 paragraph 204). TCC10 is invited to review any new information, further discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

(c) Notification requirements for monitoring observer coverage on carriers involved in high seas transshipment activities (TCC9 para 177)

TCC9 considered issues associated with transshipment vessel movement and observer coverage notifications. TCC9 could not reach consensus on the need for notification requirements for fish carrier vessels and transshipment observers. TCC9 agreed to continue discussions on the need for notification requirements for fish carrier vessels and transshipment observers at TCC10. (TCC9 para 177). TCC10 is invited to review any new information, further discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

(d) Annual list of changes required to observer training programmes (TCC8, para 33) and observer handbook of CMMs (TCC9 para 206)

TCC8 requested the WCPFC Secretariat consider providing an annual list of changes required to the observer training programmes based on changes in Commission CMMs, rules and procedures. TCC9 tasked the Secretariat with preparing an observer handbook of CMMs (TCC9 report para 206). The Secretariat will provide updates on these initiatives. TCC10 is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

(e) Mechanism for observer data to be provided to the Master/Vessel Operator/Captain – (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

(f) Funding or IT capacity in place to maintain observer data provision (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

8.3 High Seas Transshipment Monitoring

The WCPFC Secretariat will be invited to introduce the High Seas Transshipment Monitoring Annual Report (RP03).

(a) MCS implications of high seas transshipment (TCC9 para 268)

TCC9 recommended that the Commission task the Secretariat to provide a report at TCC10 with specific details of transshipment activity in 2013/2014, including through using the VMS tool described by the Executive Director. To the extent possible, available ROP observer data will be included in this Analysis (TCC9, para 267) TCC10 agreed to revisit the MCS implications of high seas transshipment pending that report, and the outcomes of the CMS process on this CMM at TCC10. (TCC10, para 268)

8.4 High Seas Boarding and Inspection (HSBI)

The WCPFC Secretariat will be invited to introduce the High Seas Boarding and Inspection (HSBI) Annual Report (RP04).

(a) Review implementation and effectiveness(TCC workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

8.5 Record of Fishing Vessels (RFV)

The WCPFC Secretariat will be invited to introduce the Record of Fishing Vessels (RFV) Annual Report (RP05).

(a) Secretariat recommended improvements or modifications to RFV SSPs (para 14 – 15 of CMM 2013-03)

In accordance with CMM 2013-03, the Record of Fishing Vessels Standards Specifications and Procedures (RFV-SSPs) were implemented from early June 2014. Paragraph 14 and 15 of CMM 2013-03 provides an opportunity for the Secretariat to, as necessary make recommendations for improvements or modifications to the RFV SSPs, including consistency with international standards and codes. TCC10 is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

8.6 Eastern High Seas Pocket Special Management Area (EHSP-SMA)

The WCPFC Secretariat will be invited to introduce the EHSP-SMA Annual Report (RP06). TCC10 is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations on this matter.

(a) Proposal to amend CMM 2010-02 (Cook Islands)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this matter

AGENDA ITEM 9 DATA PROVISION AND DATA GAPS

9.1 Impact of gaps in CCM data submission on Commissions compliance functions (final CMR 2012)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this matter.

9.2 Purse Seine Catch Composition Data Improvement progress report (TCC9 para 403)

WCPFC10 included a budgetary allocation for a consultancy to support improvement of purse seine catch composition data. The WCPFC Secretariat will provide a progress report on this project.

AGENDA ITEM 10 INTERSESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

10.1 E-monitoring and E-reporting Initiatives

WCPFC10 agreed that further discussions on E-reporting and E-monitoring should be held at a workshop in early 2014 at a venue to be determined by the Secretariat and the result should be reported to TCC10. (para 173 of WCPFC10 report)

(a) Report from EmandErW Chair

The Electronic Monitoring and Electronic Reporting Workshop (EmandErW) was held in Honiara, Solomon Islands, from 31 March – 1 April 2014. The outcomes from the workshop will be introduced, and TCC10 is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations.

(b) Reports from CCMs on outcomes and progress with trials and implementation

CCMs and as appropriate subregional agencies, will be invited to provide brief updates on their progress with EmandEr trials and implementation.

10.2 Consideration of SC and NC outcomes related to TCC's work

TCC10 is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations.

10.3 Report from CDS-IWG Chair (as per WCPFC9 approved TOR)

The Catch Documentation Scheme Intersessional Working Group (CDS-IWG) is scheduled to meet on Wednesday 24th September The CDS-IWG Chair will provide a brief report of progress to TCC10.

10.4 Potential for the use of Port Coordinators – discussion paper

A joint proposal between NORMA/WCPFC was circulated to CCMs as WCPFC Circular 2014/36. TCC10 is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations.

AGENDA ITEM 11 REVIEW OF EXISTING CMMs INCLUDING ANY PROPOSED

11.1 South Pacific Albacore (CMM 2010-05) – (TCC workplan 2013-2015 and TCC9 recommendation)

TCC9 recommended that a paper on South Pacific albacore prepared by SPC be updated for WCPFC10 and provided as a standing item for consideration by SC, TCC and the Commission each year. TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

11.2 South Pacific Swordfish (CMM 2009-03) – (TCC workplan 2013-2015 priority project)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

11.3 Bigeye, Yellowfin and Skipjack (CMM 2013-01, CMM 2009-02)

(a) CMM 2013-01 report on additional FAD management options (para 38)

TCC10 is invited to discuss, and as appropriate, provide recommendations and technical advice.

(b) Other aspects of CMM 2013-01

TCC10 is invited to discuss, and as appropriate, provide recommendations and technical advice.

11.4 Sharks (CMM 2010-07) – (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

11.5 Seabirds (CMM 2012-07)

(a) advice and recommendation (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

(b) reports from CCMs on practical and technical constraints to seabird mitigation measures (para 10 of CMM 2012-07)

Paragraph 10 of CMM 2012-07 says... “the TCC will evaluate the constraints and opportunities for small vessels to employ seabird mitigation measures in the North Pacific, and the Commission will consider appropriate seabird mitigation requirements for vessels less than 24m in length in the North Pacific.” TCC9 discussed this matter, and some CCMs operating the exemption area stated that they would present their reports on any practical and technical constraints to seabird mitigation at TCC10 (TCC9 para 354).

11.6 Sea Turtles (CMM 2008-03)

TCC10 is invited to discuss this priority project specific task which was included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

AGENDA ITEM 12 PROPOSALS FOR NEW CMMs

12.1 Port State Measures (FFA proposal)

12.2 Harvest Strategy (Australia proposal)

AGENDA ITEM 13 OTHER MATTERS REQUIRING TCC ADVICE

TCC10 is invited to discuss these three priority project specific task which are included in the approved TCC workplan 2013-2015.

This agenda item may also include other requests from any Member, in accordance with Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure.

13.1 Management arrangements for IATTC overlap – (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

13.2 Development and trials of metrics for measuring fishing effort and capacity – (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

13.3 Review of Purse Seine Catch Discard Monitoring arrangements - (TCC workplan 2013-2015)

AGENDA 14 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

14.1 Proposed TCC Work Plan and budget for 2015 – 2017

WCPFC 9 approved the TCC Workplan 2013-2015. WCPFC10 approved the 2014 budget and agreed indicative budgets for 2015 – 2016 (*sub-item 2.3 Technical and Compliance Programme*). TCC10 is invited to provide recommendations and advice to the Commission.

14.2 Administration of the Data Rules and Procedures, including Report on WCPFC Security Audit 2013/14

The Secretariat will update TCC10 on the 2014 review of the integrity of WCPFC VMS data, which is required under paragraph 6.10 of the WCPFC VMS SSPs to be conducted by the Secretariat annually. As was the case in 2012, this will include a review of the Secretariats Information Security. The Secretariat will also introduce the paper on the administration of the data rules and procedures.

14.3 Report on Secretariat IMS and website development and online reporting systems (2013 – 2015)

WCPFC8 approved the Secretariat proposal on IMS enhancement (WCPFC8-2012-FAC-16). TCC9 noted a progress report from the Secretariat on these developments for 2013-14. The Secretariat will provide a report on these developments. TCC is invited to discuss and as appropriate make recommendations.

14.4 Recommendation on 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. Ms Rhea Moss-Christian (FSM) was reappointed TCC Chair in December 2013 and Ms Alexa Cole (U.S.) commenced as TCC Vice-Chair in December 2012 (WCPFC9). TCC10 is invited to provide a recommendation to the Commission on the election of officers.

14.5 Next meeting

TCC10 is invited to consider the 24 – 29th September 2015, and Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia as the dates and venue for TCC11.

AGENDA 15 CLEARANCE OF TCC10 RECOMMENDATIONS

(As per usual practice TCC10 report will be cleared intersessionally)

AGENDA 16 CLOSE OF MEETING