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NOTES ON ISSUES ARISING FROM TCC10, WCPFC11 and SC11

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Introduction

- 1. This paper list in Table 1, TCC10 recommendations, WCPFC11 recommendations and SC11 recommendations that are relevant to TCC11 and provides cross-references to the relevant TCC11 agenda item and TCC11 paper, where appropriate.
- 2. Table 2 provides information on WCPFC11 decisions regarding cooperating Non-Members and their Participatory Rights. It also provides thereafter the relevant paragraphs from WCPFC11, relevant to WCPFC/IATTC Overlap Area and CNM general process.

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1.3 Meeting Arrangements	 657. WCPFC11 subsequently agreed that TCC11 would be extended by a day (see Agenda 12.5) 708. The Commission nominated and elected the following officer bearers of the WCPFC: <i>TCC Chair</i> – Alexa Cole (USA) 716. WCPFC11 agreed that: TCC11 will be held in Pohnpei, FSM from Wednesday 23 to Tuesday 29 September 2015 		
2. IUU List	471. WCPFC11 adopted an unchanged WCPFC IUU Vessel List for 2015. (Attachment I)	On 30 July 2015 the draft IUU list and supporting information was circulated to all CCMs and other relevant flag CCMs (WCPFC Circular 2015/48).	WCPFC-TCC11-2015- 07_rev3 Documentations relating to the draft IUU list and WCPFC IUU list can be accessed by CCMs on the WCPFC secure CCM side of the website
3. CNM Requests	154. WCPFC11 accepted the recommendation from the CNM SWG that a more directive and particularised letter from the Secretariat be provided to a CNM applicant after TCC where an incomplete application had been identified.	WCFC11 decisions on CNMs is provided in Table 2	WCPFC-TCC11-2015- 08_rev2
4. Compliance Monitoring Scheme4.1 Review of draft CMR	 430. Taking into consideration the CMS process-related recommendations from TCC10, WCPFC11 agreed the following: i. WCPFC11 noted that TCC10, as with TCC9, found conducting the review on an obligation by obligation basis both useful and informative. WCPFC11 agreed that 		WCPFC-TCC11-2015-09 WCPFC-TCC11-2015-IP01 WCPFC-TCC11-2015-IP02 WCPFC-TCC11-2015-IP04 WCPFC-TCC11-2015-IP05

Table 1: Notes on Issues arising from TCC10, WCPFC11 and SC11 as at 16 September 2015

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	improvements to this process should continue to be made, taking into account the recommendations of the 2014 Final CMR report (para 56).		
	ii. WCPFC11 noted there were difficulties experienced at TCC in the interpretation of some CMMs, WCPFC11 agreed that all new CMMs should be drafted with clear criteria as to the nature of the obligation and how compliance with that obligation will be assessed (para 57).		
	iii. WCPFC11 agreed that CCMs will confirm if they have nothing to report on obligations when completing Annual Reports to make it clear to the Secretariat that this obligation has been considered (para 59).		
	iv. Noting that a number of CNMs have high levels of non-compliance, WCPFC11 agreed to consider the compliance status of CNMs in the granting of CNM status and their participatory rights for 2015 (para 60).		
	v. Noting that TCC10 advised that CCMs consider that exceeding catch and effort limits and non-provision of Annual Reports are priority issues for the Commission to consider in the CMR, WCPFC11 agreed that in future reviews, non-compliance with these obligations should be assessed as "priority non-compliant" (para 61).		
	vi. WCPFC11 agreed that in future reviews where there are technological constraints in implementing a measure, an assessment of "non-compliant" is appropriate (para 62).		

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	vii. WCPFC11 agreed to prioritize the obligations that will be assessed (para 63).		
	 52. WCPFC11 agreed to not agree on those specific obligations, but continued to finalise the Final CMR report. b. CMM 2012-01, Tropical Tuna measure, Para 30: TCC10 recommended that WCPFC11 discuss the interpretation of paragraph 48 of CMM 2013-01 with respect to the obligation to provide the necessary catch and effort data and how these obligations should be assessed at TCC11 for compliance. c. Scientific data, paragraph 3: TCC10 recommended that WCPFC11 should discuss the different in interpretation of this paragraph as a priority matter 		
	468. WCPFC11 agreed to ask TCC to address some CCM's concerns regarding the CMS process.		
	647. WCPFC11 agreed that the list of obligations contained in Attachment U will replace the obligations contained in paragraph 3 of CMM 2014-07 <i>Conservation</i> <i>and Management Measure for Compliance</i> <i>Monitoring Scheme</i> and reflect the obligations that the Secretariat will assess for consideration by TCC11 during the Compliance Monitoring Scheme.	WCPFC 11 Summary Report Attachment U contains the list of obligations adopted for consideration during the CMS process at TCC11.	
	685. WCPFC11 agrees that the Secretariat will use the same template adopted at WCPFC10 for preparation of the draft Compliance Monitoring Report in 2015. (Attachment W)	Same template was used for preparing draft CMR in 2015	

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	478. WCPFC11 adopted the tier scoring system for evaluating compliance with the provision of scientific data to the Commission, on the understanding that TCC will keep looking at the process of refining the CMR. The tiered scoring system would be sent to the SC for its consideration. (Attachment J)		WCPFC-TCC11-2015-IP04
	9. SC11 recommends that: a. The SC11-ST-WP-01 paper is revised to remove specific reference to the word "compliance" since, while it feeds into the compliance processes of the WCPFC, it is not intended to be the compliance evaluation, <i>per se</i> .		
	b. Clarification is sought from TCC11 on whether the significant amount of purse- seine size data provided to the WCPFC through the 100% observer-coverage requirement under the ROP should be considered as satisfying the flag-state scientific purse-seine size data provision.		
	c. The tier scoring system developed by the scientific services provider (SC11-ST-WP-01_rev1) for the evaluation of the provision of scientific data is used in the work of the TCC and the Commission, with the understanding that the respective ratings included in this paper are not necessarily agreed by each WCPFC CCM.		
4.5 Consideration of an independent audit of the CMS	674. WCPFC11 agreed that there should be an audit of the CMS at some point. The Secretariat was tasked with preparing a paper for TCC11, which will include	Paper by Secretariat is prepared in response to the tasking	WCPFC-TCC11-2015-10

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	consideration of the costs of conducting an independent audit of the CMS.		
4.6 Recommendations to refine CMM 2014-07 Compliance Monitoring Scheme	681. WCPFC11 agrees to extend the existing CMM on the Compliance Monitoring Scheme, CMM 2013-02, for one additional year, and to modify paragraph 26 to read as follows: "This measure will be effective for 2015 only."		WCPFC-TCC11-2015-11
	682. WCPFC11 agreed to adopt: CMM 2014- 07 Conservation and Management Measure for Compliance Monitoring Scheme (Attachment V)		
	683. WCPFC11 agrees that it is a priority to complete the work of revising and updating the Compliance Monitoring Scheme CMM, including addressing the proposals of FFA to		
	address the capacity building needs of SIDS. WCPFC11 agrees that the United States will continue to progress this proposal intersessionally for adoption at WCPFC12.		
5. Status of Fisheries Presentation	Swordfish 507. WCPFC11 tasked the Secretariat to complete two outstanding tasks in the TCC9 recommendations and to present additional information to SC11. These were: (i) distribution of swordfish catches between EEZs and high seas, to the extent possible, and (ii) identify mitigation measures to help address and avoid overfishing, may it occur.	No specific agenda item for TCC11, is covered in paper TCC11-IP09	WCPFC-TCC11-2015-IP09 (overview of fisheries)
6. Special Requirements of Developing States	197. WCPFC11 noted the checklist in WCPFC11-2014-DP20_rev2 provided by FFA members, setting out an evaluation of SIDS special requirements and the respective status of assistance, and agreed to take into		

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	 consideration the checklist as a guide to assist developed CCMs to assess the status of assistance to SIDS. (Attachment D) 198. WCPFC11 tasked the WCPFC Secretariat to put together a reporting template for paragraph 19 of CMM 2013-07, which incorporates the various categories in that measure. It was noted that this will facilitate the analysis of the types of assistance provided by developed CCMs to implement CMM 2013-07 as a whole, and highlight any gaps in such assistance. 199. On the latter decision, the Interim-Executive Director remarked that the Secretariat was happy to have this tasking and would gladly receive input before the Annual Report Part 2 online system needs to be finalised for 2014 reporting. 	AR Part 2 was updated to include the different sections and paragraphs within CMM 2013-07. The followings were included in AR Part 2: CMM 2013-07 01-03 CMM 2013-07 04-05 CMM 2013-07 06-07 CMM 2013-07 08-09 CMM 2013-07 10-11 CMM 2013-07 12-18 CMM 2013-07 19	WCPFC-TCC11-2015-12 WCPFC-TCC11-2015- ARPt2
6.2 Report on implementation of trial WCPFC Port Coordinators Programme 2015-2016	 542. WCPFC11 agreed: a. To establish a trial WCPFC port coordinators programme based on the proposed terms of reference (Attachment P). The programme will be implemented on a trial basis for two (2) years in 5 ports in the WCPO. The positions would be funded from the WCPFC Annual Budget during 2015 and 2016 (based on local salary rates), but the positions would operate as an integral part of the National Fisheries Agency/Department with reporting through the appropriate line manager in the National Fisheries Agency/Department. b. That the five ports which would be eligible to receive funding would be Pohnpei, (FSM), Majuro (RMI); Tarawa or Christmas Island 	First report of the trial programme is provided to TCC11 (and was provided to SC11)	WCPFC-TCC11-2015- 13_rev1

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	 (Kiribati); Rabual (PNG) and Honiara in the Solomon Islands (SI). Each WCPFC Member would be able to submit an invoice to WCPFC Secretariat for payment towards their Port Coordinator, which is up to USD15,000 per year over a two year period plus \$5,000 one off equipment and establishment cost. c. Relevant Members, SPC-OFP and WCPFC Secretariat will jointly report to SC and TCC (in 2015 and 2016), on the implementation of the trial WCPFC port coordinators programme. d. If after two years the evaluation proves that the program has been successful the Commission can then take an informed decision to extend the program to other ports in the WCPO, where appropriate. 		
8.1 Vessel Monitoring System (VMS)	VMS 479. WCPFC11 accepted the recommendation from TCC10 (para 102) and extended the VMS manual position reporting requirements (the WCPFC9 agreed amendments to the VMS SSPs Section 5) until 1 March 2017. (Attachment K)	VMS SSPs version was updated on website in early 2015	WCPFC-TCC11-2015- RP01
8.2 Regional Observer Programme	 <i>ROP</i> 480. The TCC Chair referred the Commission to <i>WCPFC11-2014-IP03</i>, particularly the tables at the front of the paper, and noted that there were a number of TCC recommendations under this agenda item. <i>IMO number as minimum data standard observer is to collect:</i> 481. WCPFC11 agreed that the data field International Maritime Organisation (IMO) number or Lloyd's Register number required 		WCPFC-TCC11-2015- RP02

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	as per CMM 2013-04 is added to the list of minimum standard data fields an observer is asked to collect from vessels that are more than 100 GT or GRT (para 114).		
	 Guidelines for ROP Identification Cards: 482. WCPFC11 adopted as guidelines the following list of information for ROP Identification Cards (para 119): Suggested minimum required information on the front of each card: Name of the observer Name of the observer provider Nationality of the observer Vurique identifying number for the observer Spassport style photo of the observer Information that could be placed on either the front or back of the card: Issue date and Expiry date WCPFC logo to indicate observer is ROP observer Bugo of Programme and or Country Flag Optional information that could be included on the back of the card: Signature of Observer; Status of observer Qualifications. 	Also referred to and considered by IWG- ROP4	WCPFC-TCC11-2015-17 (IWG-ROP4)
	Guideline timeframes to submit ROP data for high seas transshipment monitoring: 487. WCPFC11 agreed that ROP providers which place observers on fish carrier vessels that transship on the high seas are strongly encouraged to send the completed data forms, workbooks, reports and journals of the observer to the Commission Secretariat where possible within 120 days of the disembarkation of the observer from the carrier (para 156).	No specific tasking - decision	

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	Matters to be forwarded to IWG-ROP: 489. WCPFC11 agreed that the following matters identified by TCC10 should be forwarded to the IWG-ROP: i. Discuss the suggested mechanisms to Prevent and Deter Alcohol-Related Misconduct of Observers (para 149) (Attachment M).	Referred to and considered by IWG-ROP4	
	 ii. Further discuss and provide direction on the following proposed transshipment notification rules for all fish carriers (para 157): a) 24 hrs prior to entry of the vessel into the WCPFC Convention area must inform the Commission Secretariat on their intentions to either tranship at sea, tranship in a designated port, or tranship both in port and on the high seas; b) 24 hrs prior to departing a port in the WCPFC Convention area must inform the Commission Secretariat on their intentions to tranship at sea or tranship in a designated port or tranship in a designated port or tranship in a designated port or tranship of their tranship in a designated port or tranship both in port and on the high seas; c) on completion of their transhipping activities at sea or in port in the WCPFC 		
	Convention Area must inform the WCPFC Secretariat within 24hrs of their destination port; and d) intending to tranship at sea on entry into the Convention area, or departing from a		
	port in the Convention area, of departing from a port in the Convention area, will notify to the Commission Secretariat the name of the ROP certified observer onboard. Note that the above proposed transshipment notification reporting to the Commission Secretariat is not intended to negate any		

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	current zone or port entry or exit procedures. iii. Discuss and provide guidance to WCPFC12 on the definition of the responsibilities of the flag states in respect of obligation CMM 2007-01 Attachment K Annex C paragraph 4 (para 64(ii)). iv. The matter of interpretation of CMM 2007-01 paragraph 9 to the IWG-ROP (para 64(vi)).		
8.2 (b) Measuring and Monitoring ROP longline coverage	 Measuring and Monitoring ROP longline coverage: 483. WCPFC11 approved the guidelines for ROP longline coverage by fleet/fishery described in Attachment L Table 1, noting that it should be open to review and adjustments at future TCC meetings. 484. WCPFC11 agreed that CCMs shall: a. Decide on the observer coverage metric and then compile the observer coverage using this metric for their fleet activity in 2013 (as required in Attachment L Tables 2 and 3) and submit this information to the WCPFC Secretariat before 28 February 2015. A sample report format is provided as guidance to assist CCMs with reporting (Attachment L Table 4) b. (for subsequent years) Compile and include this information in their respective Annual Report Part 1 to be submitted from 2015 onwards, noting that revisions can be provided at the annual TCC meeting. 485. WCPFC11 tasked the WCPFC 		

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	 estimates of total activity of each fleet for the nominated metric (outlined by the SC10 ISG7) to be included in the template (Attachment L Table 3) a. For 2013 activities, this information should be combined in the template (Attachment L Table 3) with the observer coverage provided by the CCMs (deadline 28th February 2015) and made available by 30th March 2015. b. For subsequent years, this information should be combined in the template (Attachment L Table 3) with the observer coverage provided by the CCMs (in their 28th February 2015) and made available by 30th March 2015. b. For subsequent years, this information should be combined in the template (Attachment L Table 3) with the observer coverage provided by the CCMs (in their Part 1 reports) and made available for SC and TCC 486. WCPFC11 tasked the WCPFC Secretariat (with assistance from the Science/Data service provider) with compiling the information reported by CCMs on longline observer coverage and reporting the information included in Attachment L Tables 2 and 3 in papers tabled for future SC and TCC meetings. 	Table collating CCMs reported information on longline observer coverage for 2013 calendar year was advised in Circular No.: 2015/35, dated 19 June 2015 Table collating observer coverage for 2014 based on CCM reports provided in AR PT 1 is included in TCC11-IP-05.	WCPFC-TCC11-2015- IP05_rev1
	 Agenda Item 3 Data Statistics Theme 3.2 Regional Observer Programme (ROP) 11. SC11 recommends that: a. WCPFC12 notes that a number of CCMs did not achieve the 5% observer coverage of their longline fleets according to the requirements in CMM 2007-01 and this is impacting on the SC's ability to address a number of scientific issues. Coverage of observer data submitted to the WCPFC (that is, 		

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	 Table 5 in SC11-ST-IP-02) be forwarded to TCC11 for consideration. b. The WCPFC Scientific services provider include an additional table in future versions of their paper on ROP Data Management (starting with SC12) which compares the coverage of longline observer trips, as provided by CCMs (Table 4 in SC11-ST-IP-02) with the coverage of data submitted for longline observer trips (Table 5 in SC11-ST-IP-02). 		
	 CMM Booklet (ROP specific) to be prepared by Secretariat: 488. WCPFC11 agreed to task the Secretariat to produce a ROP observer-specific CMM booklet commencing in 2015, to be updated on a yearly basis. Based on requests from ROP authorized observer programmes, the Secretariat should arrange for the printing and distribution of the ROP focused Observer CMM booklet. An electronic version of the observer-specific CMM booklet and a booklet containing a complete set of current CMMs should also be made available on the WCPFC public website for download (para 164). 	ROP-specific CMM booklet was printed and distributed to national observer programme early this year. Electronic copy was also posted to the website. A booklet containing a complete set of current CMMs is available on the website at http://www.wcpfc.int/conservation-and- management-measures	WCPFC-TCC11-2015- RP02
8.3 High Seas Transshipment Monitoring	190. TCC10 agreed to i) provide its support for the continuing work by the WCPFC Secretariat to enhance and expand its IMS capabilities to cross-verify high seas transshipment activity using VMS analysis and ROP data, and to continue to strengthen its systems for monitoring high seas transshipment; and ii) encourage the Secretariat to work with interested CCMs on developing electronic reporting solutions that		WCPFC-TCC11-2015- RP03

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	could be used by CCMs, on a voluntary basis, to report high seas advance transshipment notifications (CMM 2009-06 35 a (iii)), and to report back to TCC11.		
	191. TCC10 requested that the Secretariat expand its annual transhipment report to include a summary of the information on transhipment activities that CCMs report annually through Annual Report Part 1 (CMM 2009-06 paragraph 11) in aggregate form.		
	<i>from WCPFC 11 Summary Report:</i> <i>Transshipment</i> 494. The TCC Chair noted there were no substantive recommendations to WCFPC11 from TCC10 related to transshipment. Two TCC10 recommendations set out in para 190 and 191 were noted.		
8.4 High Seas Boarding and Inspection (HSBI)	200. TCC10 supported the Secretariat continuing to explore options to capture CCMs' contact details of authorities of inspection and fishing vessels to ensure that CCMs' contact information is up-to-date and accessible in accordance with CMM 2006-08. <i>from WCPFC 11 Summary Report:</i> <i>HSBI</i> 495. The TCC Chair noted there were no substantive recommendations for WCFPC11 from TCC10 relating to the HSBI scheme. One TCC10 recommendation set out in para 200 was	Circular No.: 2015/54 dated 27 Aug 2015 advise CCMs of website initiatives that address this issue	WCPFC-TCC11-2015-RP04
8.5 Record of Fishing	noted. <i>RFV</i> 500 WCDEC11 accorded the TCC10	These information was used and listing the	WCPFC-TCC1-2015-RP05
Vessels (RFV)	500. WCPFC11 accepted the TCC10	These information was made public through	WCFFC-FCCF-2013-KP05

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	recommendation (para 217), and agreed that information reported by flag CCMs as part of Record of Fishing Vessels updates, related to charter notifications and high seas transshipment authorizations should be treated as public domain data.	the copy of the RFV on the website in February 2015	
	550. WCPFC11 agreed to the proposed changes contained in Attachment 1 to <i>WCPFC112014-22</i> and agreed to adopt CMM 2014-03: Conservation and Management Measure for Record of Fishing Vessels Standards Specifications and Procedures (RFV-SSPs). (Attachment Q).	CMM 2014-03 came into effect in June 2015 (Circular No.: 2015/32, dated 10 June 2015)	
8.6 Eastern High Seas Pocket Special Management Area (EHSP-SMA)	 <i>EHSP</i> 501. WCPFC11 accepted the TCC10 recommendations (paras 228 and 234), and agreed: i) to the development of clearer and consistent specifications to address the issues relating to the reporting of data in this and similar CMMs; ii) to task the Secretariat to work with interested CCMs on some joint initiatives thatCCMs might use on a voluntary basis, with a view to streamlining the WCPFC dataentry processes for EHSP-SMA reporting; and iii) to amend CMM 2010-02 paragraph 2 to add vessel name to reporting requirements.1 Footnote 1: Secretariat note: At WCPFC11 the Commission did not specify the exact amendment that should be made to the EHSP entry and exit report format as prescribed in 	Discussed in TCC11-RP06	WCPFC-TCC1-2015-RP06

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	 paragraph 2 of CMM 2010-02. In the absence of clear direction from the Commission, and in response to two comments received on the draft WCPFC11 summary report, the Secretariat provides the following guidance to CCMs to consider in their implementation of the WCPFC11 decision: Flag CCMs should instruct their vessels to include the "Vessel name" (exactly as it is written in the Record of Fishing Vessels), at the end of specified reporting format prescribed in paragraph 2 of CMM 2010 -02: VID/Entry/Exit: Date/Time1; Lat/Long1; YFT/BET/ALB/SKJ/SWO/SHK/OTH/TOT(kgs) /TRANSHIPMENT (Y/N) /VESSEL NAME 1 Of anticipated point of entry or exit. 2 Exactly as it written in the Record of Fishing Vessels. 		
	556. WCPFC11 accepted the Summary Report of the Tenth Regular Annual Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee.	TCC10 Summary Report	
11.3 Sharks (CMM 2010-07, CMM 2011-04, CMM 2012-04, CMM 2013-08 & CMM 2014-05)	368. WCPFC11 agreed to add identifying barriers to implementing the mitigation methods raised in <i>SC10-EB-WP-05</i> along with any considerations raised by WCPFC11, and develop solutions where appropriate, to TCC's agenda.	Covered in TCC11-22	WCPFC-TCC11-2015-22
	 c. CMM 2012-04 (CMM for protection of whale sharks from purse seine fishing operations) 91. SC11 recommends that WCPFC12 adopt the guidelines for safe release of encircled 		

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	animals including whale sharks as contained in the ISG-4 report (Attachment F) and recommends that TCC11 provide any additional considerations for the Commission's decision.		
11.6 Establishing a Harvest Strategy for key fisheries and stocks in the WCPO (CMM 2014- 06)	 5.2.1 Development of WCPFC harvest strategies 2. SC11 considered the draft work-plan (WCPFC-SC11-2015/MI-WP-01) provided by Australia to progress the harvest strategy approach, which is required under CMM 2014-06. SC11 strongly supported the initiative by Australia to develop this plan. SC11 recommends that Australia continue to develop this work-plan, noting the comments provided by SC11, and in consultation with other CCMs intersessionally, and that the updated plan be presented to TCC11 and WCPFC12, including an estimation of budget and resources required. 		WCPFC-TCC1-2015-DP02

CNM	WCPFC Decision regarding granting of CNM status	WCPFC Decision regarding Participatory Rights
Ecuador	33. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 for Ecuador.	126. WCPFC11 agreed that Ecuador's participatory rights for fishing in the WCPO are limited to purse seine fishing, with no participatory rights for fishing on the high seas for highly migratory fish stocks in the Convention Area. Any introduction of purse seine fishing capacity is to be in accordance with paragraph 12 of CMM 2009-11 and CMM 2013-01 or its replacement measure.
El Salvador	34. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 for El Salvador.	130. WCPFC11 agreed that the participatory rights of El Salvador for fishing in the WCPO are limited to purse seine fishing only. The total level of effort by purse seine vessels of El Salvador on the high seas shall not exceed 29 days in the Convention Area. Any introduction of purse seine fishing capacity is to be in accordance with paragraph 12 of CMM 2009-11 and CMM 2013-01 or its replacement measure.
Liberia	35. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for CNM status in 2015 for Liberia.	132. WCPFC11 agreed that the participatory rights of Liberia are limited to reefer vessels to engage in transshipment activities, and bunker and supply vessels to support fishing vessels in the Convention area.
Panama	47. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 for Panama.	141. WCPFC11 agreed that the participatory rights of Panama in the WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels.
Thailand	49. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 for Thailand.	148. WCPFC11 noted the need for cooperation between Thailand and the Commission and the commitment from Thailand to provide data from canneries located in Thailand to assist in the work of the Commission. WCPFC11 agreed to grant CNM status to Thailand for 2015 on the understanding that Thailand will cooperate fully with the Commission in the acquisition and exchange of fishery information and data. The Commission notes the provision of data from Thai canneries and encourages Thailand to continue to cooperate with the Commission to improve the acquisition and exchange of fishery information and data. The participatory rights

 Table 2: Cooperating Non-Member and Participatory Rights decision from WCPFC11

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		of Thailand in the WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only.
DPRK	88. WCPFC11 did not accept the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 from Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK).	123. As the group did not consider DPRK's application should be accepted by the Commission, participatory rights were not considered or recommended.
Mexico	 95. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 from Mexico, on the understanding that the Secretariat will write a letter to Mexico advising that Mexico's non-payment of any financial contribution generated extensive discussion at WCPFC11. Some CCMs noted their strong concern at the unfairness for SIDS CCMs and other CNMs due to this non-payment and those CCMs did not consider the lack of presence of any Mexico vessels to justify non-payment. Those CCMs also noted that if this concern is not addressed before Mexico's next application for CNM status any such application would not be supported by those CCMs. 	136. WCPFC11 noted that Mexico has participated in the work of the Northern Committee (NC) at NC 8, 9 and 10 and, noting the need for cooperation with the work of the NC particularly in regard to Pacific bluefin tuna, encouraged Mexico to continue to participate in the NC. Mexico does not intend to have a vessel presence in 2015. Any future introduction of purse seine fishing capacity is to be in accordance with paragraph 12 of CMM 2009-11 and CMM 2013-01 or its replacement measure.
Senegal	111. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 for Senegal, on the condition that it pays its assessed contribution for 2015 by 90 days after 15 January 2015.	144. WCPFC11 agreed that the participatory rights of Senegal be limited to one Senegalese longline vessel to be authorised to fish in the Convention area. Any introduction of fishing capacity is to be in accordance with paragraph 12 of CMM 2009-11 and CMM 2013-01 or its replacement measure.
Vietnam	152. WCPFC11 noted the need for continued cooperation between Vietnam and the Commission to achieve compatibility of fisheries management and conservation, as well as on the	152. The Commission notes the significant improvements in the collection and provision of data from Vietnam fisheries through the GEF WPEA project, administered by the WCPFC and encourages Vietnam to continue to cooperate with the Commission to improve

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	acquisition and exchange of fishery information and data, for which Vietnam would require assistance. WCPFC11 agreed to approve the application for renewal of CNM status in 2015 from Vietnam	the acquisition and exchange of fishery information and data. The participatory rights of Vietnam in the WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only.

WCPFC/IATTC Overlap Area

120. In accordance with the decision of WCPFC9 regarding the management of the overlap area south of 4°S and between 130°W and 150°W, vessels flagged to Ecuador, El Salvador and Mexico will be governed by the IATTC when fishing in the overlap area. Accordingly, the participatory rights for, Ecuador, El Salvador and Mexico below apply to the WCPFC Convention Area excluding the overlap area.

121. In accordance with the Data Exchange MOU agreed by both Commissions, fishing vessels flying the flag of a member of either the IATTC or WCPFC shall cooperate with the RFMO to which they are not a member by voluntarily providing operational catch and effort data for its fishing activities for highly migratory species in the overlap area.

122. For the purpose of investigation of possible IUU fishing activities and consistent with international and domestic laws, vessels flying the flag of a CNM that is a Contracting Party to the IATTC will cooperate with those coastal State members of the WCPFC whose EEZs occur in the overlap area by voluntarily providing VMS reports (date, time and position) to those coastal States when operating in the overlap area.