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CNM REQUESTS FOR 2016

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Purpose

1. The paper presents for the consideration and decision of TCC11 the requests received for grant of Cooperating Non-Member status for 2016.

Background

2. On 19 February 2015, the WCPFC Secretariat sent to all 2015 Cooperating Non-Members, letters confirming the outcomes from WCPFC11 in regard to their CNM request and where applicable, the financial commitment expected from each CNM for 2015. The link to the template electronic form to be used for CNM applications to renew status for 2016 was also provided: <https://www.wcpfc.int/doc/commission-07b/cooperating-non-member-request-template>.

3. To date, the Secretariat has received seven (7) requests for grant of Cooperating Non-Member status in 2016, all were submitted using the electronic pdf form (see **Table 1** on next page). A few requesting countries also provided a written cover letter to support their CNM request. **Table 2** provides an update on payment of financial contributions.

4. A copy of the information that was submitted by CNM applicants is accessible to CCMs through their individual logins to the CCM section of the WCPFC website (<https://www.wcpfc.int/cooperating-non-members>) with the reference as **Attachment 1** to this paper. The information submitted on the pdf form, has been extracted and is provided combined CSV format with the reference as **Attachment 2** to this paper. Copies of letters and communications related to WCPFC11 outcomes are also provided on the CCM section with reference as **Attachment 1**.

5. The WCPFC Secretariat has prepared a draft Compliance Monitoring Report covering 2014 activities for six current Cooperating Non-Members (Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Panama, Thailand and Vietnam); Liberia was granted CNM status for the first time in 2015. As was the case in past years, the information for Cooperating Non-Members are expected to be considered alongside the draft Compliance Monitoring Reports of

¹ Rev 1: Includes an update to reflect Liberia's payment of assessed contributions for 2015. Rev 2 includes partial payment from Ecuador and full payment by Thailand.

Members and Participating Territories, and as part of the Compliance Monitoring Scheme process (CMM 2014-07).

Recommendation

TCC11 is invited to consider the requests for CNM status for 2016 and make recommendations and technical advice to the Commission. It is expected that a working group will develop a draft recommendations for TCC11 to consider.

Table 1: Dates of receipt for CNM requests received in 2015 (for 2016) as at 27 August 2015

APPLICANT	DATE REQUEST FOR RENEWAL OF CNM STATUS WAS RECEIVED(due 25 July 2015)	
	As written letter of request ²	As completed electronic pdf form
Ecuador	23 July 2015	25 July 2015
El Salvador		23 July 2015
Mexico		23 June 2015
Liberia		15 July 2015 <i>(revised 17 July 2015)</i>
Panama	16 April 2015	21 April 2015
Thailand	22 July 2015	22 July 2015
Vietnam	16 July 2015	16 July 2015

Table 2. Notes on financial contributions from Cooperating Non-Members for 2014 and 2015 as at 20 September 2015

	2014 Financial contribution	2015 assessed financial contribution	Date of receipt of payment for 2015
Ecuador	Paid	44,677	2,897 received as overpayment in 2014; 12,974.86 confirmed on 18 Sept 2015; 28,801 owing
El Salvador	Paid	31,872	18 May 2015 31,835 received
Liberia	n/a	12,917	1 September 2015 12,917 received
Mexico	Not paid 27,727.00 owing	27,070	0
Panama	Paid	19,837	26 June 2015 19,837 received
Thailand	Paid	18,648	18 Sept 2015 18,648 received
Vietnam	Paid	14,701	0
** Senegal³	n/a	13,515	0

² Copies of these cover letters to the electronic pdf form are attached as Att 1

³ Senegal has not reapplied for 2016 – information is provided for completeness and noting the significance to the conditional grant of CNM status in the WCPFC11 Decision