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**SUMMARY OF REPORTING RECEIVED BY WCPFC UNDER CMM 2010-05:
SOUTH PACIFIC ALBACORE**

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1. CMM 2010-05 requires that CCMs not increase the number of their fishing vessels actively fishing for south Pacific albacore in the Convention Area south of 20S above 2005 levels or recent 2000-2004 levels (para 1). This limit does not apply to small Island State and Territory CCMs in the Convention Area (para 5).
2. Paragraph 4 requires that CCMs report annually to the Commission on the catch levels of their fishing vessels that have taken south Pacific albacore as a bycatch as well as the number and catch levels of vessels actively fishing for south Pacific albacore in the Convention Area south of 20S. Initially this information will be provided for the period 2006 – 2010, and then updated annually.
3. Table 1 collates information with respect to reporting by CCMs to the Secretariat for paragraphs 1 and 4 of CMM 2010-05. It is clear from Table 1 that since the implementation of the WCPFC Compliance Monitoring Scheme the reporting associated with paragraph 4 of CMM 2010-05 has improved for all fleets.
4. Note it is possible that some CCMs did report their information for earlier years through Annual Report Part 1, and the Secretariat would welcome any updates or assistance that CCMs can provide to assist us with completing these records.
- 5. The paper is for information, and WCPFC12 is invited to note the paper**

Table 1. Reported total catches (mt) and numbers of CCM-flagged and other vessels that have fished for South Pacific Albacore in the Convention Area South of 20°S during the period 2006 – 2014.¹ Vessel number limits and reported catches are as sourced as noted

| Year | Australia ² | | Belize ³ | | Canada ⁴ | | China ⁵ | | Cook Islands ⁶ | | European Union ⁷ | | Fiji ⁸ | | Indonesia | | French Polynesia ⁹ | |
|------------------|------------------------|------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|---------|-------------------|----------------|------------|---------|-------------------------------|--|
| | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats |
| 2006 | 2430 | 55 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2007 | 1834.1 | 61 | | 1 | | | 86 LL 10 PS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 1085.1 | 54 | | 2 | | | 199 LL 12 PS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2009 | 1343.6 | 54 | | 2 | | | 219 LL 12 PS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2010 | 725.1 | 51 | | 2 | | | 244 LL 12 PS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2011 | 639.9 | 49 | | 2 | 0 | | | 27.58 (by catch) | 0 | | | | 2062 | 74 | | | LL= 400t Art = 998 | LL (target)= 59 Artisanal fleet (bycatch): 24 |
| 2012 | 462 | 40 | | 2 | 0 | | | 7790 672.5 ch | 39 | | | | 1066.3 427.7 | 62 11 Ch | | | | |
| 2013 | 547 | 40 | 13.5 | 1 | 0 | | 5641 | <70 | 20.92 | 5 | 0.005 | 6 | 0.600 0.222 | 40 9 Ch | | 0 | 281 | |
| 2014 | 450 | 36 | | | 0 | | 6259 | 68 | 58.26 | 3 | 2.1 | | 1.197 | 45 | | 0 | 332 | 62 |
| CCM Limit | | 132 | | 2 | | 3 | | 70 | | n/a | | | | n/a | | | | n/a |

¹ The numbers and CCM limit do not take into account paragraph 5 of CMM 2010-05. * = provisional estimate n/a = not applicable

² Nominated maximum number of vessels was first provided by Australia in Pt 2 2007, in regards to CMM 2005-02, and was re-nominated in Pt 2 2011 for CMM 2010-05. 2013-2014 figures from AR Pt 1 2014/5, 2006 – 2012 provided in letter 18 July 2012.

³ Data are taken from AR Part 2 Reports. CCM limit is as set out in relevant participatory rights is based on the number that was agreed by the Commission for specific years. During 2015 Belize was not a cooperating non-member.

⁴ From Pt 1 and Pt 2 2012 – confirms that there was no directed fishery for SP ALB since 2005.

⁵ The Part 1 Report for China indicates total number of vessels by fleet type and not by area fished. Further, it notes total catch and percentage of catch by species without indication of north or south of the equator. AR Pt1 2014: reported catches and vessels for Convention Area only – 379 LL. Longline albacore catch Convention Area = 24,162 Mt More recently the limit, catches and limits have been confirmed through relevant CMR reviews.

⁶ From Pt 1 2014 and 2015, and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.

⁷ From Pt 1 2014 and 2015 and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.

⁸ From Pt 1 2014 and 2015 and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.

⁹ From Pt 1 2014 and 2015 and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.

| Year | Japan ¹⁰ | | Korea ¹¹ | | New Caledonia ¹² | | New Zealand ¹³ | | Tonga ¹⁴ | | Chinese Taipei ¹⁵ | | USA ¹⁶ | | Vanutau ¹⁷ | |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|
| | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats | Catch (Mt) | # boats |
| 2006 | 1169 0.6 | _ OfLL 1 PL DW | | | 793 | 21 | | 182 | | | 5,042 | 31 LTLL 26 STLL | # AS 509 U.S. | 1 8 | | |
| 2007 | 1148 0.0 | _ OfLL 0 PL DW | | | 837 | 23 | | 135 | | | 4,605 | 19 LTLL 30 STLL | # AS 198 U.S. | 2 5 | | |
| 2008 | 909 0.0 | 19 OfLL 0 PL DW | | | 1096 | 23 | 3720 | 166 t 23 by | | | 1,907 | 17 LTLL 36 STLL | # AS 150 U.S. | 1 3 | | |
| 2009 | 1,111 0.0 | 19 OfLL 0 PL DW | | | 1061 | 21 | 2216 | 162 t 25 by | | | 3,372 | 22 LTLL 31 STLL | 84 AS 237 U.S. | 4 4 | | |
| 2010 | 896 0.0 | 26 OfLL 0 PL DW | | | 1396 | 17 | 2292 | 135 t 43 b | | | 4,352 | 19 LTLL 25 STLL | # AS 307 U.S. | 2 6 | | |
| 2011 | 1,803* 0.9* | 34* OfLL 2* PL DW | 0 | | 1039 | 19 | 3205 | 161 t 52 by | 28.7 | 4 | 3,978 | 30 LTLL 39 STLL | # AS 402 U.S. | 1 6 | 1584.722 | 25 |
| 2012 | 1,517.9* 1.5* | 29* OfLL 2* PL DW | 14 | | 880 | 19 | 2993 | 170 t 55 by | | | 2,854* | 28 LTLL 29 STLL | # AS 198 U.S. | 2 7 | | s |
| 2013 | 1,564* 0* | 30* OfLL 2* PL DW | 0 | | 895 | 17 | 2,848* 294* | 161 t 43 by | 9.64 | 1 | 5,160* | 21 LTLL 52 STLL | # AS 390 U.S. | 1 6 | 6931.22 | 36 |
| 2014 | 1,564* 0* | | | | 1211 | 17 | 2005* 251 | 153 t 44 by | 15.1 | 4 | 3670 103 by | 52 | # AS 264 U.S. | 0 8 | 4157 (3207 t) | 23 |
| CCM Limit | | | | | | n/a | | 270 t | n/a | | | 81 | | | n/a | |

¹⁰ OfLL = Distant Water and Offshore Longline, and PLDW = Pole and Line Distant Water. OfLL vessel numbers and catches from AR Pt1 2014

¹¹ Letter to WCPFC dated 31 March 2013, and 27 Apr 2012 – provided catch figures. Advised No Korean-flagged vessel targeted Southern Albacore in 2012-2014.

¹² See WCPFC-SC7-AR/CCM-14.

¹³ Recent figures from Pt 1 2014. The total catches (target and bycatch is provided, but vessel numbers are provided separately for target (y) and bycatch (by) vessels. Limit: Pt 2 2012: 270 vessels targeted ALB south of 20 south in 2005, ave number of vessels that fished for Albacore in 2001 - 2004 is 393 vessels. Recent figures from Pt 1 2014 and 2015 and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.

¹⁴ From Pt 1 2014 and 2015, and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.

¹⁵ Recent figures from Pt 1 2014 and 2015 and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR. Limit is number of vessels in 2001. LTLL = large tuna longline STLL = small tuna longline

¹⁶ Revised figures provided in letter dated May 2013 (est retained catches 2008-2012 by US vessels not targeting ALB S20 = 0). AS = American Samoa, U.S. = United States No specific CCM limit has been nominated, but an explanation has been provided in Pt 2 2010 and Pt 2 2012 about measures to ensure compliance with this provision for the two U.S. fleets that operate in the area south of 20S.

¹⁷ From Pt 1 2014 and 2015 and/or checked or clarified through relevant CMR.