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A. Introduction

1. The purpose of this paper is to provide as a quick reference guide to Commissions consideration of the FADMgmtOptions-IWG02 recommendations of relevance to WCPFC13 discussions. A copy of the full FADMgmtOptions-IWG-2 Report is provided as **WCPFC13-2016-FADMgmentOptions-IWG-02_rev2**.

B. FADMgmtOptions-IWG02 Recommendations for WCPFC13 decision

2. The relevant recommendations of the FADMgmtOptions-IWG02 for WCPFC13 decision with appropriate referencing, are listed below:

Marking and Monitoring of FADs

- i) The FADMgmtOptions-IWG recommends to WCPFC13 that the consultant's report on options and considerations of implementing a marking and identification system for FADs in the WCPO (FADMgmtOptionsIWG-02 -04) be forwarded to SC13 and TCC13 for further consideration. (*FADMgmtOptions-IWG02, para 51*)

Collection of additional data on FADs and their use in WCPO fisheries

- ii) The FADMgmtOptions-IWG endorsed in principle the fields in the table on page 3 of the Working Paper to be provided by vessel operators and recommended that the fields be referred to the SC and TCC for further consideration (*FADMgmtOptions-IWG02, para 62., Attachment C*)
- iii) The FADMgmtOptions-IWG recommended that the issue of data to be provided by observers be referred to SC13 and TCC13, and CCMs were encouraged to provide delegation papers on this aspect. (*FADMgmtOptions-IWG02, para 63*)
- iv) The FADMgmtOptions-IWG recommended that the elaboration of the data fields to be provided by vessel operators should take into account the data fields for provision of FAD data by vessel operators by the IATTC. (*FADMgmtOptions-IWG02, para 64*)

FAD Research Plan

- v) The FADMgmtOptions-IWG recommends that WCPFC13 considers the revised draft FAD research plan proposal (*FADMgmtOptions-IWG02, para 72 and Attachment D*)

Next Steps

- vi) The FADMgmtOptions-IWG recommends that a formal meeting of the working group is not envisaged during 2017. (*FADMgmtOptions-IWG02, para 97*)
