

TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS AND PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES AND OBSERVERS

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Meeting Notice for the Thirteenth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee

Dear All,

The Thirteenth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC13) will take place at Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia commencing with a Preparatory Heads of Delegations Meeting on **Tuesday 26 September**, **2017** at 4.30pm at the PNG room at WCPFC offices. As agreed at WCPFC13, TCC13 would be held from **Wednesday 27 September to Tuesday 3 October**, **2017**. No meeting is scheduled to take place on **Sunday 1 October** which has been tentatively designated as a 'free' day.

Alexa Cole of the United States of America will continue to serve as Chair of the TCC. The venue for TCC13 will be COM/FSM China Friendship Sport Center, Palikir, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia.

Agenda

The provisional agenda and annotated agenda are posted on the TCC13 website with this Notice and will be updated accordingly as follows:

- Provisional agenda (WCPFC-TCC13-2017-02); and
- Provisional annotated agenda (WCPFC-TCC13-2017-03).

The inclusion of any supplementary items in the agenda, accompanied by a written explanation, may be requested at least thirty days before the meeting. This is by **Monday 28 August 2017**.

An indicative meeting schedule will be developed and posted on the TCC13 website in due course. This will, amongst others, confirm the indicative scheduling for the review of the Draft Compliance Monitoring Reports and identification of any potential compliance issues (CMM 2015-07).

Preparatory Meeting for Head of Delegation

A Preparatory Meeting for the Heads of Delegation will be held at the PNG Room, at WCPFC offices on **Tuesday 26 September**, 2017 at 4.30pm, convened by the TCC Chair.

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TCC13 Meeting Documents

Every effort will be made to post all meeting documents on the WCPFC website by **28** August **2017**. All participants will be individually responsible for downloading their meeting papers and printing them, as required.

Submission of Annual Report – Part 1 and Part 2

As at 26 June 2017, a few CCMs had already submitted Annual Report Part 2 and/or Annual Report Part 1. The deadlines for Part 1 and Part 2 reports are as follow:

Report	Requirement	Due Date
Annual Report Part 2 covering 2016 activities	CCMs to complete using online interface developed by the WCPFC Secretariat that includes: • Addressing CMR- 2015 list • MTU audit inspections list	1 July 2017 (as decided by the Commission)
Fished and Did not Fish report (CMM 2013-10 paragraph 9)	CCMs to complete using template provided by the WCPFC Secretariat	1 July 2017 (as stated in CMM 2013-10)
Annual Report Part 1, covering 2016 activities	To be prepared using the template provided on the WCPFC website.	10 July 2017 (one-month prior to the annual regular session of the Scientific Committee)

To assist the Secretariat with keeping track of CCM submissions of Annual Report Part 1, Annual Report Part 2 as well as draft CMR reports, the Secretariat has a dedicated email address that we ask CCMs to use for formal submissions and related correspondence: <u>contact.AR@wcpfc.int</u> and copied to the Assistant Compliance Manager, Ms 'Ana F. Taholo at <u>ana.taholo@wcpfc.int</u>, and for Annual Report Part 1 submissions, please also copy the Assistant Science Manager, Mr Anthony Beeching at <u>Anthony.Beeching@wcpfc.int</u>

All related enquiries about the TCC13 meeting should be addressed to the Compliance Manager, Dr Lara Manarangi-Trott at <u>lara.manarangi-trott@wcpfc.int</u>

Registration

In accordance with Rules 6 and 36 of the Rules of Procedure for the Commission Members, Cooperating Non-Members, Participating Territories, Observers and others desiring to participate in TCC13 are respectfully requested to advise the Secretariat of contact details for official contacts, designated representatives, alternate representatives and advisers at the earliest opportunity. Participants should use the online registration at https://www.wcpfc.int/meetings/tcc13

In order to assist us with checking registration lists for larger delegations, can we ask those delegations with more than one delegate (or with difficulties in accessing our online registration) to complete a batch registration for delegation list (names and positions) and submit this to the Secretariat addressed to Administrative Officer Ms Lucille Martinez at Lucille.Martinez@wcpfc.int at your earliest convenient please.

Funding for Developing Countries and Participating Territories

The Commission will fund the participation (a daily allowance and most direct economical airfare) of one representative from each developing country and participating territory that is a member of the Commission. Formal nominations for participants to receive this support should be submitted to the Finance and Administration Manager, Mr Aaron Nighswander at <u>aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int</u> under the signature of their WCPFC Official Contact for eligible developing countries and participating territories as early as possible but no later than **Thursday 24 August 2017**.

Could we ask that countries make every effort to advise the WCPFC Secretariat as soon as it is known who will be attending as the earlier we can book airfares, the more likely we can achieve better rates. Late changes to booking are unlikely to be able to be accommodated as they add significantly to the cost of bookings.

Information for Visitors to Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia

For some supporting information on accommodation, flights, visas and accommodation in Pohnpei please see Attachment 1.

Yours sincerely,

Feleti Penitala Teo OBE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Attachment 1 – Information for Visitors to Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia

Background information about Pohnpei, including city maps and weather details, is available at many websites, including http://www.visit-micronesia.fm/index.html

Visa to visit the Federated States of Micronesia

Most participants visiting Federated States of Micronesia should pass through either Honolulu or Guam airport, where they are required to have a US transit visa.

Visitors to the Federated States of Micronesia do not require an entry permit for stays up to 30 days; however you must have an onward ticket and a passport valid for at least 120 days. An entry permit is required for visits longer than 30 days, extendable up to one year. For further information on visa requirements please refer to http://www.visit-micronesia.fm/guide/regulation.html.

Airlines and airport Transfers

There are three airlines servicing Pohnpei and the flights are often fully booked so an early reservation is highly recommended.

United Airlines depart either Guam or Honolulu every other day to stop by Pohnpei (Guam-Chuuk-Pohnpei-Kosrae-Kwajalein-Majuro-Honolulu). Please refer to the United Airlines website for more details: http://www.united.com/web/en-US/default.aspx?root=1

In June 2015, Nauru Airlines (formerly Our Airline) commenced once a week flights to Pohnpei via (Brisbane/Nadi-Nauru-Tarawa-Majuro-Kosrae-Chuuk-Pohnpei return). Please refer to the Nauru Airlines website for more details: <u>http://www.ourairline.com.au/</u>

In 2016, Air Niugini commenced twice a week flights to Pohnpei via Port Moresby. Please refer to the Air Niugini website for more details: http://www.airniugini.com.pg/

Transport from the Pohnpei Airport to the hotels in Pohnpei is available by hotel airport transport. Please contact your hotels for transportation arrangement.

Currency in FSM

The currency used in the Federated States of Micronesia is the U.S. dollar. ATM cash machines are available in Pohnpei (Bank of Guam, Bank of Federated States of Micronesia and Palm Terrace Supermarket).

Accommodation

Available accommodation is listed in Table 1 below. Those participants needing accommodation should book directly with the hotel of their choice as soon as possible. All rates noted below are tax inclusive. Some alternative accommodation options may also be available.

Hotel	Room Rates	Amenities	No. of
Cliff Rainbow Hotel reservations@cliffrainbow. com Ph: (691) 320-2415/ 320-5939/320-5834	(tax included)Single Standard\$ 42.40Single Deluxe\$100.70Double Deluxe\$121.90Suite\$143.10	Air-conditioned rooms, cable TV, free internet, refrigerators, Airport shuttle pick-up and drop- off. Restaurant onsite.	Rooms
7 Star Inn <u>7starsinn@mail.fm</u> <u>www.7starsinn.fm</u> (691)320-6383/320-6147	Single \$ 78.75 Double \$ 89.25 Deluxe \$ 99.75 Studio \$120.75 Suite \$136.50	Air conditioned, Cable TV, Internet, Restaurant & Bar/Lounge onsite; Free Airport pickup/drop off	19 Rooms
Oceanview Hotel – West Wing <u>rumorsinc@mail.fm</u> <u>www.fm/oceanview</u> Ph: (691) 320-7978	Single: Ocean View \$ 95.00 Mountain View \$ 85.00 Double: Ocean View \$142.00 Mountain View \$132.00 Cottages: \$ 75.00 Package deals (Room plus car rental available ranging from \$134 to \$200	Air conditioned rooms, internet, restaurant on site, airport pickup or drop off; \$25 for additional person	9 Rooms & 4 Cottages
Sea Breeze Hotel <u>info@seabreezehotel.fm</u> <u>reservations@seabreezehot</u> <u>el.fm</u> <u>www.seabreezehotel.fm</u> Ph: (691) 320-2065/320- 2066	Single: \$ 70.85 Double: \$ 81.75 Triple: \$ 92.65	Air-conditioned rooms, telephone, refrigerator, cable TV, Free internet & shuttle bus for airport transfers, Restaurant onsite	23 Rooms
Yvonne Hotel <u>yvonnehotel@hotmail.com</u> Ph: (691) 320-5130/1248	Single Standard\$ 65.00Single Deluxe\$ 75.00Single Double\$ 85.00Double Deluxe\$ 95.00Triple Standard\$105.00(\$20 for additional person on above rooms)	Air conditioned rooms, telephone, refrigerator, internet, cable TV; Restaurant onsite; Laundry facilities, two rooms w/cooking facilities. Conference and private meeting rooms available; Free Airport transfers	27 Rooms

 Table 1. Accommodation in Pohnpei

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	(tax included)			Rooms
Mangrove Bay Hotel, Bar & Marina mangrovebayhotel@gmail.c om www.mangrovebaypohnpei. com Ph: (691) 320-5454/925-	Single/Double	\$120.00	Air-conditioned rooms, TV, Telephone, Wi-fi internet, refrigerator, airport shuttle; Scenic view & oceanfront bar. Free coffee in the morning, kayak and	7 Rooms
7233			morning, kayak and paddle board rentals	
Oceanview Hotel – East Wing Oceanview_plaza@yahoo.c om Ph: (691) 320-5075	Single rooms Mountain View Ocean View Twin room	\$75.00 \$85.00 \$120.00	Air conditioned rooms, refrigerator, telephone, internet, TV only at 2 nd Floor; Free airport pickup/drop off	10 Rooms
China Star Hotel guojunqu@hotmail.cm (691) 320-1788/320-4390	2 nd Floor Room Single Double 3 rd Floor Room Single Double 2 Suites	\$70.00 \$88.00	Air-conditioned rooms, refrigerator, telephone TV, Free airport transfers, Close to airport, Restaurant onsite	28 Rooms
Joy Hotel Joy_ponape@mail.fm Ph: (691)320-2477/2447	Single Double	\$79.50 \$100.70	Air conditioned rooms, telephone, refrigerator, TV, and free internet, Free airport shuttle	10 Rooms
Hideaway Hotel hideaway@mail.fm Ph: (691) 320-5175	Cottages Single/Double	\$85.00	Air-conditioned rooms, pillow-top mattresses w/bedding, refrigerator, free high speed internet, jewelry safe box	6 Rooms
PCR Hotel <u>pcr_pohnpei@mail.fm</u> Ph: (691) 320-4482 / 924- 3928	Single Double	\$75.00 \$85.00	Air-conditioned rooms; Wi-Fi internet; Complimentary airport transfers, Restaurant on site	9 Rooms
South Park Hotel southparkhotel@mail.fm Ph: (691) 320-3230	Single Double	\$100.00 \$120.00	Air-conditioned rooms, refrigerator, internet at carport/outside room. Restaurant onsite; Complimentary airport transfers. No TV & telephone, only cellphone	12 Rooms
Beacon Towers Apartment vcs_pws@mail.fm Ph: (691) 320-7820/ 924- 6445	Single Double	\$ 50.00 \$75.00	Air-conditioned rooms, TV and kitchenette	7 Rooms