**Proposed Guidelines for the Working Group on FAD Management Measures**

**(paras 12-18 of Rev 4)**

1. **Participating CCMs**: China, Cook Islands, EU, Japan, Korea, NIUE, US, 3 PNA Members, 1 FFA Secretariat rep, 1 PNA advisor, 3 observers to be supported by the Secretariat, Chair and the Vice Chair
2. **Led by**: Australia
3. **The WG is invited to discuss**:
* FAD Closures (seasonal and high seas) vs CCM-based annual FAD set limits without closures;
* whether or not to include FAD definition for the purpose of TT Measure, and if it is to be included, what elements should be there in the definition;
* if time allows, what to do with footnote 3[[1]](#footnote-1) of 2016-01 and the Kiribati exemption;
* clearly defined options or scenarios on FAD management for SPC to evaluate
* additional proposals provided to Plenary (Niue and the Philippines)
1. **The WG is encouraged to**:
* find some common ground and explore options that bridge the opposing views;
* Report back to Plenary [within the given timeframe]
1. Although compromised textswould bewelcomed for the reference of Plenary, **the WG is NOT expected to** focus on drafting concrete languages, as there will be Drafting Groups dedicated to taking on the drafting tasks.
2. **The Lead of the Working Group has the full authority to** manage the group discussions in line with the Working Group’s objectives.
1. Footnote 3 of 2016-01: Purse seine vessels flagged to a developing coastal state member smaller than 50 m LOA (13+36=49 vessels currently on the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels) are exempted from this reduction requirement described in paragraphs 16 - 18. When a SIDS CCM chooses limitation of annual FAD sets stipulated in paragraphs 16 - 18, purse seine vessels newly introduced after January 1 2010 are managed outside of the FAD set limit for that CCM for 3 years following their introduction. After 3 years the FAD sets/total sets by those vessels shall be incorporated into the calculation of the baseline figure for that CCM. Those purse seine vessels exempted or managed outside the FAD set limit shall be notified to the Secretariat by 31 March 2014 or within 15 days of vessels introduced after this date. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)