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### **SUMMARY OF REPORTING RECEIVED BY WCPFC UNDER CMM 2010-05 and CMM 2015-02: SOUTH PACIFIC ALBACORE**

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**WCPFC-TCC13-2017-IP13<sup>1</sup>**

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#### **Paper by Secretariat and SPC-OFP**

1. This paper presents for the information of TCC13 a summary of reporting received by the Commission under CMM 2015-02 on South Pacific Albacore and its predecessor.
2. CMM 2015-02 requires that CCMs not increase the number of their fishing vessels actively fishing for south Pacific albacore in the Convention Area south of 20°S above 2005 levels or recent 2000-2004 levels (para 1). This limit does not apply to small island developing State and Territory CCMs in the Convention Area (para 2).
3. Paragraph 4 requires that CCMs report the annual catch levels taken by each of their fishing vessels that have taken South Pacific albacore, as well as the number of vessels actively fishing for South Pacific albacore, in the Convention area south of 20°S. Catch by vessel shall be reported according to the following species groups: albacore tuna, bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, swordfish, other billfish, and sharks. Initially this information will be provided for the period 2006-2014 and then updated annually. CCMs are encouraged to provide data from periods prior to these dates.
4. Table 1 collates information with respect to reporting by CCMs to the Secretariat and/or SPC-OFP in response to paragraphs 1 CMM 2010-05 or paragraph 1 of CMM 2015-02, and paragraph 4 of CMM 2015-02.
5. TCC13 is invited to note the paper.

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<sup>1</sup> This paper considers the reporting that is summarized in WCPFC13-2016-IP06 *CCM Reporting under SP albacore CMM* issued 24 November 2016.

Table 1: Reporting by CCMs against paragraphs 1 and 4 of CMM2015-02.

|                   | GEAR | CMM 2015-02 Para. 4 |                   |                      |            |                      |            |              |              | CMM 2015-02 Para.1         |                    | NOTES |
|-------------------|------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------|
|                   |      | Catch 2006-2014     | Vessels 2006-2014 | Catch by vessel 2015 | Catch 2015 | Catch by vessel 2016 | Catch 2016 | Vessels 2015 | Vessels 2016 | # Vessels (avg. 2000-2004) | # Vessels (2005)   |       |
| AUSTRALIA         | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 585        | YES                  | 715        | 36           | 34           |                            | 132                | 5     |
| BELIZE            | LL   | NO                  | NO                | -                    | -          | -                    | -          | -            | -            |                            |                    | 6     |
| CHINA             | LL   | Partial             | YES               | YES                  | 6,504      | YES                  | 3,945      | 70           | 76           |                            | 70                 | 2, 5  |
| COOK ISLANDS      | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 58         | YES                  | 81         | 2            | 3            |                            | n/a                | 4     |
| EU - PORTUGAL     | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 1          | YES                  | 0          | 1            | 1            |                            | EU - not specified | 5     |
| EU - SPAIN        | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 1          | YES                  | 0          | 3            | 3            |                            | EU - not specified | 5     |
| FIJI              | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 1,498      | YES                  | 2,572      | 49           | 72           |                            | n/a                | 4     |
| FRENCH POLYNESIA  | LL   | Partial             | YES               | YES                  | 518        | YES                  | 636        | 42           | 51           |                            | n/a                | 4     |
| JAPAN             | LL   | YES                 | YES               | NO                   | 851        | YES                  | 728        | NO           | 2            |                            | not specified      | 1, 9  |
|                   | PL   | NO                  | NO                | NO                   | 0          | NO                   | 4          | NO           | -            |                            | not specified      | 6     |
| NEW CALEDONIA     | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 1,003      | YES                  | 1,527      | 26           | 17           |                            | n/a                | 4     |
| NEW ZEALAND       | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 121        | YES                  | 223        | 34           | 32           |                            | 270                | 5     |
|                   | TR   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 2,425      | YES                  | 1,952      | 139          | 137          |                            | combined with LL   | 5     |
| NIUE              | LL   | YES                 | YES               | -                    | -          | -                    | -          | -            | -            |                            | n/a                | 6     |
| REPUBLIC OF KOREA | LL   | NO                  | NO                | -                    | -          | -                    | -          | -            | -            |                            | not specified      | 6     |
| SENEGAL           | LL   | NO                  | NO                | -                    | -          | -                    | -          | -            | -            |                            |                    | 6     |
| SOLOMON ISLANDS   | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 49         | -                    | -          | 5            | -            |                            | n/a                | 4     |
| CHINESE TAIPEI    | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 3,264      | NO                   | 4,947      | YES          | NO           |                            | 81                 | 10    |
| TONGA             | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 31         | YES                  | 46         | 5            | 4            |                            | n/a                | 4     |
| USA               | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 14         | YES                  | 0          | 3            | 2            |                            | not specified      | 3, 5  |
|                   | TR   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 224        | YES                  | 256        | 6            | 6            |                            | not specified      | 3     |
| VANUATU           | LL   | YES                 | YES               | YES                  | 3,369      | YES                  | 289        | 21           | 16           |                            | n/a                | 4     |

**NOTES**

1. Japan provided 2006-2014 vessels and catch according to CMM 2015-02 Para 4. requirements on 31st October 2016.
2. China provided 2015 vessels and catch according to CMM 2015-02 Para 4. requirements on 4th November 2016.
3. USA provided 2006-2014 vessels and catch according to CMM 2015-02 Para 4. requirements on 10th June 2017. USA also provided 2015 and 2016 vessel catch and vessel numbers on this date.
4. Operational data submitted to SPC (as a member country) on a regular basis since 2000 and therefore satisfies the requirement for producing breakdowns of catch and vessel numbers by year.
5. Operational data submitted to WCPFC for years 2015 and 2016 and therefore satisfies the requirement for producing breakdowns of catch and vessel numbers by year.
6. This fleet does not appear to have been active in the WCPFC Area south of 20°S for years 2015 onwards.
7. Operational data submitted to WCPFC for 2016 and therefore satisfies the requirement for producing breakdowns of catch and vessel numbers by year.
8. Cells with 'Partial' mean that coverage of the catch by vessel data was evaluated to be < 80% but > 40%. Cells with 'NO' mean that coverage of the catch by vessel data was evaluated to be < 40%.
9. Operational data submitted to WCPFC for years 2015 and 2016 but operational data provided for 2015 does not cover the area south of 20°S while there is evidence of catch. For 2016, the operational data satisfies the requirement for producing breakdowns of catch and vessel numbers by year.
10. Chinese Taipei provided 2006-2014 vessels and catch according to CMM 2015-02 Para 4. requirements on 31st December 2016. Chinese Taipei also provided 2015 vessel catch and vessel numbers on this date. The 2016 catch has been determined from aggregate catch/effort data provided by Chinese Taipei.