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**PROPOSAL ON PURSE SEINE EFFORT LIMITS**

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## **Explanatory Notes to Purse Seine Fishing Effort Limits Table**

1. Each CCM (or specified group of CCMs) would have an annual limit on the number of fishing days that may be spent by purse seine vessels of any flag in its EEZ (or in its group of EEZs) and by purse seine fishing vessels under its flag (or their flags) on the high seas. The limits would apply between the latitudes of 20° N and 20° S.
2. The extent to which a CCM's limit may be used on the high seas by purse seine vessels under another flag, either through chartering, transfer or sale, would be subject to further deliberation.
3. Each CCM (or group of CCMs) would be responsible for ensuring that the annual limit is not exceeded. In the case of a collective limit for a specified group of CCMs, compliance with the limit would be a collective responsibility, and all CCMs in the group would be considered non-compliant if the group is found non-compliant.

**Purse seine fishing effort limits (applicable between 20N and 20S)**

CCM or group of CCMs	Annual limit on fishing days (calendar year)		
	2018	2019	2020
Australia	TBD	TBD	TBD
Canada	0	0	0
China	26	26	26
Chinese Taipei	95	95	95
Cook Islands	2,350	2,350	2,350
Fiji			
Niue			
Samoa			
Tonga			
Vanuatu			
Ecuador	*	*	*
El Salvador	*	*	*
European Union	403	403	403
France	0	0	0
French Polynesia	0	0	0
Indonesia	TBD	TBD	TBD
Japan	1,621	1,621	1,621
New Zealand	TBD	TBD	TBD
Nauru	44,033	44,033	44,033
Palau			
Federated States of Micronesia			
Kiribati			
Marshall Islands			
Papua New Guinea			
Solomon Islands			
Tuvalu			
Republic of Korea	207	207	207
Liberia	*	*	*
Mexico	*	*	*
New Caledonia	TBD	TBD	TBD
Panama	*	*	*
Philippines	TBD	TBD	TBD
Thailand	*	*	*
Tokelau	1,000	1,000	1,000
USA and its particip. territories	2,588	2,588	2,588
Vietnam	*	*	*
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0

\* Participatory rights of CNMs to be determined on year-to-year basis.