

## COMMISSION FOURTEENTH REGULAR SESSION

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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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## Paper by Secretariat and SPC-OFP

- 1. This paper presents for the information of WCPFC14 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. WCPFC14 is invited to note the paper.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This paper updates **WCPFC-TCC13-2017-IP13** Summary of *CCM Reporting under SP albacore CMM* 2010-05 and CMM 2015-02 - issued 22 September 2017. Updates have been incorporated from China and Chinese Taipei.

Table 1: Reporting by CCMs against paragraphs 1 and 4 of CMM2015-02 - as at 2 December 2017.

		CMM 2015-02 Para. 4								CMM 2015-02 Para.1		
	GEAR	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)	NOTES
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	68		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	1,352	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	YES	4,947	YES	44	·	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		nla	4

## NOTES

- I. 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.
- 5. This fleet does not appear to have been active in the WCPFC Area south of 20'S for years 2015 onwards.
- 1. Operational data submitted to WCPFC for 2016 and therefore satisfies the requirement for producing breakdowns of catch and vessel numbers by year.
- 3. 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%.
- 3. 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.