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Purpose

1. The paper presents for the consideration and decision of TCC14 the requests received for grant of Cooperating Non-Member (CNM) status for 2019.

Background

2. On 29 March 2018, the WCPFC Secretariat sent to all 2017 CNM applicants, letters confirming the outcomes from WCPFC14 in regard to their CNM requests and the financial commitment expected from each CNM for 2018. Attention was also drawn in the letter to the latest version of the electronic form to be used when requesting for grant of CNM status in 2019.¹

3. To date, the Secretariat has received eight (8) requests for grant of CNM status in 2019, some were submitted using the 2017 version of the electronic pdf form (see **Table 1** below). One CNM request was submitted as a scanned document, so was not able to be directly imported into the combined csv format. The Secretariat has reproduced the submission from this CNM into the correct e-format to allow for a complete combined csv format to be generated. A few requesting countries also provided a written cover letter to support their CNM request.

4. **Table 2** provides an update on payment of financial contributions for 2018 as at 8 August 2018.

¹ On 2 March 2017, the WCPFC Secretariat posted to the website an updated electronic form that incorporated the necessary amendment to the request form for WCPFC CNM status. The form is posted on the WCPFC website at this link:- <https://www.wcpfc.int/doc/commission-07b/cooperating-non-member-request-template>

Table 1: Dates of receipt for CNM requests received in 2018 (for 2019) as at 28 August 2018

APPLICANT	DATE REQUEST FOR RENEWAL OF CNM STATUS WAS RECEIVED (due 28 July 2018)	NOTES ON FORMAT OF REQUEST	
		E-form submitted and able to be directly imported (not pre-scanned)?	2017 version of template used?
Ecuador	27 Jul 2018	YES	YES
El Salvador	31 May 2018	NO	
Liberia	24 Jul 2018	YES	NO
Mexico	28 Jun 2018	YES	YES
Nicaragua	21 Jul 2018	YES	NO
Panama	22 Jun 2018	YES	YES
Thailand	11 Jul 2018	YES	YES
Vietnam	12 Aug 2018	YES	YES

Table 2. Notes on financial contributions from Cooperating Non-Members for 2017 and 2018 as at 8 August 2018

	2017 assessed financial contribution	2018 assessed financial contribution	2018 Payments	Date of receipt of last payment for 2018 contribution
Ecuador	Paid	34,342		
El Salvador	Paid	30,018	29,983	Apr 11, 2018
Liberia	Paid	14,380	14,380	May 25, 2018
Mexico	Paid	29,186		
Panama	Paid	23,432	23,432	July 25, 2018
Thailand	Paid	20,928	20,928	May 11, 2018
Vietnam	Paid	16,463		
		168,750	88,723	

5. A copy of the information that was submitted by CNM applicants is accessible to authorized CCM users through the CCM section of the WCPFC website (<https://www.wcpfc.int/cooperating-non-members>) with the reference as **Attachment 3** to this paper. The information submitted on the pdf form are provided as a combined XLS format with the reference as **Attachment 2** to this paper. Copies of letters and communications related to WCPFC14 outcomes are also provided on the CCM section with reference as **Attachment 1**.

6. The WCPFC Secretariat has prepared a draft Compliance Monitoring Report covering 2017 activities for seven current CNMs (Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Liberia, Panama, Thailand and Vietnam). As was the case in past years, the information for CNMs are expected to be considered alongside the draft Compliance Monitoring Reports of Members and Participating Territories, and as part of the Compliance Monitoring Scheme process (CMM 2017-07).

Recommendation

7. TCC14 is invited to consider the requests for CNM status for 2019 and make recommendations and technical advice to the Commission. It is expected that a working group will develop draft recommendations for TCC14 to consider.
