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## **ANNUAL REPORT ON THE EASTERN HIGH SEAS POCKET (EHSP) SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA**

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### **Paper prepared by the Secretariat**

#### **Purpose**

1. This paper, as in previous years, provides a summary report on the activities occurring in the EHSP Special Management Area (EHSP-SMA), which is the area of high seas bounded by the Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ) of the Cook Islands to the west, French Polynesia to the east and Kiribati to the north, from 1 January 2017 – 31 July 2018 based on data held by the Secretariat. The management and reporting arrangements for the EHSP were established through CMM 2010-02 entitled *Conservation and Management Measures for the Eastern High Seas Pocket Special Management Area*. From 7 February 2017, CMM 2016-02 came into effect and applied updated management arrangements for the EHSP.

#### **CMM 2010-02 and CMM 2016-02**

2. There are two main differences between CMM 2010-02 and CMM 2016-02. First, CMM 2016-02 removes the requirement for flag States to ensure that their vessels submit entry/exit reports to the Commission at least 6 hours prior to entry/exit into the EHSP. Secondly, CMM 2016-02 prohibits all transshipment activities in the EHSP from 1 January 2019.

#### **Review of available data relevant to CMM 2016-02 (covering 1 January 2017 – 31 July 2018)**

##### *Vessel Sightings*

3. Paragraph 2 of CMM 2016-02 encourages vessels to report sightings of any fishing vessel to the WCPFC Secretariat. During the reporting period, the Secretariat did not receive any sighting reports from flag CCMs related to the EHSP.<sup>2</sup>

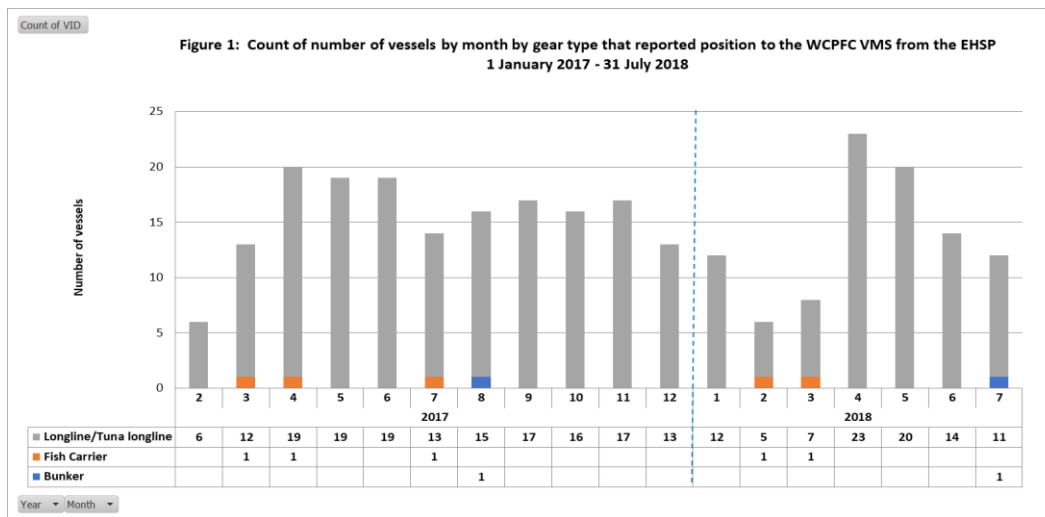
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<sup>1</sup> This replaces the version issued on 29 August 2018, only change was correction in Annex 1 of counts of vessels for one CCM

<sup>2</sup> To assist with internal record keeping at the WCPFC Secretariat, copies of vessel sighting reports that are required in accordance with paragraph 2 of CMM 2016-02 to be submitted the Commission, can be sent to the Secretariat to email: [EasternHighSeasSpecialManagementArea@wcpfc.int](mailto:EasternHighSeasSpecialManagementArea@wcpfc.int)

## VMS

4. Annex 1 to this report provides a summary of the Entry and Exit Alert generated by the Commission VMS, by year. Annex 2 lists the 80 vessels (2 bunkers, 3 fish carriers, 75 longliners/tuna longliners) flagged to 6 CCMs (Cook Islands, China, Japan, Panama, Chinese Taipei and Vanuatu) that were reporting to the WCPFC VMS from the EHSP during 1 January 2017 – 31 July 2018. Figure 1 below provides a count of the number of vessels that reported to the WCPFC VMS from the EHSP.



### Live List (required under CMM 2016-02 paragraph 5)

5. The Secretariat continues to maintain a ‘live list’ of all fishing vessels present in the EHSP in the secure page on the WCPFC website, as required by the measure. Vessels detected on VMS in the EHSP are displayed in a table as well as in a map of the EHSP in the EHSP page on the website. Vessels are also directly linked to the WCPFC RFV providing user with the ability to easily access vessel details on the RFV. A sample screen shot is shown in Figure 2 below of the live list and CCMs can log into the EHSP secure page (<https://www.wcpfc.int/eastern-high-seas-pocket>) to view the latest data.

Figure 2:



### Transshipment

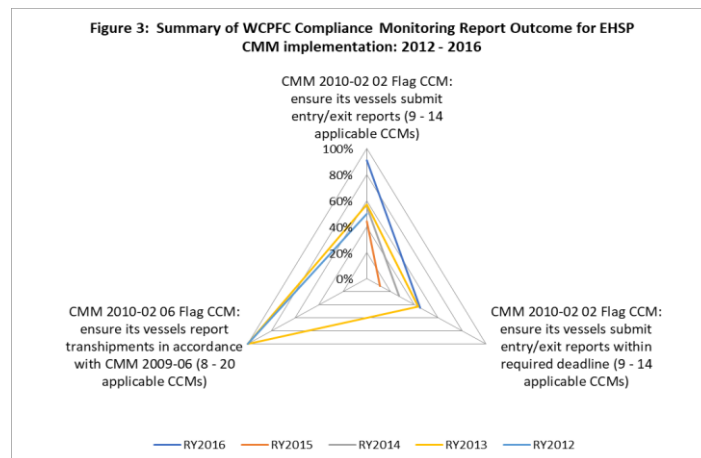
6. During the reporting period, there was no reported transshipment in the EHSP. CMM 2016-02 prohibits all transshipment activities in the EHSP commencing on 1 January 2019.

### Compliance

7. During the reporting period, there were no findings of alleged infringement by vessels occurring in the EHSP-SMA from high seas boarding and inspection activities or aerial surveillance activities that were reported to the Secretariat.

### Review of CMM 2010-02 implementation by applicable CCMs under the Compliance Monitoring Scheme (CMS)

8. Figure 3 below provides an overview of the result of the evaluation of CMM 2010-02 under the CMS over the years. CMM 2010-02 was evaluated annually commencing in 2013 for Reporting Year 2012 (RY2012). Figure 3 shows that there were ongoing implementation issues faced by applicable CCMs in meeting the required entry and exit manual reports under CMM 2010-02 when vessels entered and exited the EHSP-SMA. For example, CMM 2010-02 02 shows that less than 50% of the flag CCMs who were expected to have provided entry and exit reports for their vessels were evaluated by the Commission through the CMS process to have fully implemented this reporting obligation for RY 2012, and all this showed some improvement over time, RY 2016 outcome was still less than 100% of applicable CCMs were determined by the Commission to have fully implemented this reporting obligation.
9. It should be noted that CMM 2016-02 that applies in RY2017 no longer requires that flag CCMs ensure that their vessels submit entry/exit reports to the Commission at least 6 hours prior to entry/exit into the EHSP.



### Recommendation

10. TCC14 is invited to

- note the report and discuss the activities in the EHSP-SMA.

**Annex 1: Summary of Entry and Exit Alert generated by the Commission VMS by flag from 1 January 2017 – 31 July 2018.**

| CCM            | # of Vessels detected        |               |              |
|----------------|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
|                | # of vessels detected on VMS | # Entry Alert | # Exit Alert |
| Cook Islands   | 1                            | 1             | 1            |
| China          | 28                           | 37            | 37           |
| Japan          | 2                            | 2             | 2            |
| Panama         | 4                            | 6             | 5            |
| Chinese Taipei | 41                           | 123           | 119          |
| Vanuatu        | 4                            | 4             | 4            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>79</b>                    | <b>173</b>    | <b>168</b>   |

**Annex 2: List of 80 vessels reporting to WCPFC VMS from the EHSP during 1 January 2017 – 31 July 2018**

| Flag                    | VID   | Vessel Name      | IRCS    | Vessel Type    |
|-------------------------|-------|------------------|---------|----------------|
| <b>China (28)</b>       |       |                  |         |                |
| CHN                     | 9081  | RONG DA YANG 9   | BBLZ7   | Tuna longliner |
| CHN                     | 9922  | PING TAI RONG 9  | BZ8VD   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 9924  | PING TAI RONG 31 | BZ7VE   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10091 | HONG YANG 9      | BBIW9   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10104 | HUA NAN YU 717   | BZXD25  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10145 | HUA NAN YU 723   | BZXD32  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10404 | ZHONG YANG 18    | BZXD73  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10405 | ZHONG YANG 19    | BZXD74  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10407 | ZHONG YANG 28    | BZXD76  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10568 | HAI SHANG 98     | BZ7UY   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10614 | FENG HUI 7       | BZ9VV   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10714 | FENG HUI 7       | BZ9VV   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10814 | SHEN GANG FA 15  | BZXD52  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10815 | SHEN GANG FA 16  | BZXD53  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10816 | SHEN GANG FA 17  | BZXD54  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10817 | SHEN GANG FA 18  | BZXD55  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10831 | SHEN GANG FA 19  | BZXD56  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10832 | SHEN GANG FA 715 | BZXD62  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10833 | SHEN GANG FA 716 | BZXD63  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10835 | SHEN GANG FA 718 | BZXD65  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10836 | SHEN GANG FA 719 | BZXD66  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 10847 | HAI XING 615     | BZ8VZ   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 11027 | SUI YUAN YU 32   | BZWA34  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 11111 | XIN SHI JI 207   | BZV7M   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 11113 | XIN SHI JI 209   | BZV9M   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 11309 | SHEN GANG FA 720 | BZXD69  | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 11394 | ZHONG YANG 13    | BZW9A   | Longliner      |
| CHN                     | 11395 | ZHONG YANG 22    | BZW1B   | Longliner      |
| <b>Cook Islands (1)</b> |       |                  |         |                |
| COK                     | 10274 | HAI SOON 39      | E5U2959 | BUNKER         |

| Flag                       | VID   | Vessel Name           | IRCS   | Vessel Type    |
|----------------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------|----------------|
| <b>Japan (2)</b>           |       |                       |        |                |
| JPN                        | 206   | GOEI MARU NO.8        | JFKH   | Tuna longliner |
| JPN                        | 1342  | KAIGATA MARU NO.88    | JQRB   | Tuna longliner |
| <b>Panama (4)</b>          |       |                       |        |                |
| PAN                        | 9248  | YUN RUN 3             | HOAZ   | FISH CARRIER   |
| PAN                        | 9433  | FARO                  | H3LU   | FISH CARRIER   |
| PAN                        | 9822  | ANGEL 101             | HOMW   | BUNKER         |
| PAN                        | 9839  | PONTOS                | HONN   | FISH CARRIER   |
| <b>Chinese Taipei (41)</b> |       |                       |        |                |
| TWN                        | 3042  | JIN HSIANG FA         | BJ2001 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3333  | YU LONG NO.12         | BJ3721 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3680  | YU LONG NO.18         | BJ4536 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3704  | MAAN YIH FENG NO.16   | BJ4590 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3706  | CHU HUAI NO.368       | BJ4592 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3717  | LI HUNG NO.868        | BJ4612 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3763  | HONG YI               | BH3233 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3780  | MAAN YIH FENG NO.26   | BJ4719 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3799  | YU FENG NO.128        | BJ4752 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3824  | CHU HUAI NO.668       | BJ4791 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3831  | CHU HUAI NO.886       | BJ4798 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3838  | YU LONG NO.10         | BJ4806 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3846  | CHUAN HSIANG NO.368   | BJ4814 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3849  | SHIN JAAN SHIN        | BJ4817 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3861  | QUAN SHENG YI         | BJ4829 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3871  | LI HUNG NO.666        | BJ4843 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3872  | CHUAN SHYANG NO.98    | BJ4844 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 3994  | CHIEN CHANG NO.326    | BI2536 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5025  | SHIN JAAN SHIN NO.101 | BJ4976 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5029  | CHU ZAI FA NO.1       | BJ4558 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5215  | MAN YI FENG NO.66     | BJ4932 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5337  | YU LONG FA NO.22      | BJ4878 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5338  | YU LONG NO.2          | BJ4874 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5351  | LIEN CHI FA NO.98     | BJ4877 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5363  | CHUAN FA SHIAN NO.88  | BJ4910 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5380  | YU LONG FA NO.168     | BJ4830 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5400  | MAAN YIH FENG NO.266  | BJ4925 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5406  | YU LONG FA NO.36      | BJ4931 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 5408  | MAAN YIH FENG NO.166  | BJ4928 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 8799  | SHENG LONG YU NO.21   | BJ4920 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 8806  | LIAN JI FA NO.212     | BJ4974 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 8807  | CHU HUAI NO.628       | BJ4953 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 8820  | CHUAN HSIN NO.128     | BJ4969 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 8889  | CHU HUAI NO.888       | BJ4988 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 9688  | MAAN YIH FENG NO.366  | BG3681 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 9703  | MAAN YU FENG NO.3     | BJ5009 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 9827  | E SUN NO.888          | BG3692 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 9975  | CHANG YI NO.368       | BG3706 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 10452 | LIAN SHENG NO.168     | BJ5099 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 11109 | E SUN NO.999          | BH3424 | Tuna longliner |
| TWN                        | 11419 | CHI WIN NO.1688       | BH3471 | Longliner      |
| <b>Vanuatu (4)</b>         |       |                       |        |                |
| VUT                        | 2320  | KOURYO                | YJTU6  | Longliner      |
| VUT                        | 4415  | YUH PAO NO.12         | YJUN9  | Tuna longliner |
| VUT                        | 4417  | YUH YI NO.21          | YJSB7  | Tuna longliner |
| VUT                        | 4418  | YUH YI NO.22          | YJSB8  | Tuna longliner |