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**CNM REQUESTS IN 2020**

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**Paper by the Secretariat**

**Purpose**

1. The paper presents the requests received for Cooperating Non-Member (CNM) status for 2021 for the consideration and decision of TCC16.

**Background**

2. On 26 March 2020, the Executive Director sent letters to all 2019 CNM applicants, confirming the outcomes from WCPFC16 in relation to their CNM requests and the financial commitment expected from each CNM for 2020. The letter also drew attention to the latest version of the electronic form to be used when requesting CNM status be granted for in 2021 which is available on the WCPFC website (at <https://www.wcpfc.int/doc/commission-07b/cooperating-non-member-request-template>).

**CNM requests for 2021**

3. To date, the Secretariat has received ten (10) requests for grant of CNM status in 2021 (see **Table 1** below). A few requesting countries also provided a written cover letter to support their CNM request. All CNM applicants have submitted an electronic form.

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<sup>1</sup> Rev1 updates and replaces the version issued 24 August 2020, a CNM request for 2021 was received from Curacao

**Table 1: Date of receipt of CNM requests for 2021 as at 31 August 2020**

APPLICANT <i>(Applicant that is not a CNM in 2020)</i>	DATE REQUEST FOR NEW/RENEWAL OF STATUS WAS RECEIVED*	NOTES ON FORMAT OF REQUEST	
		E-form submitted and able to be directly imported (not pre-scanned)	2020 version of template used?
<i>Bahamas</i>	21 July 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Democratic People's Republic of Korea</i>	21 June 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Curacao</i>	26 August 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Ecuador</i>	1 August 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>El Salvador</i>	25 July 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Liberia</i>	1 August 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Nicaragua</i>	8 July 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Panama</i>	13 July 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Thailand</i>	22 July 2020	Yes	Yes
<i>Vietnam</i>	16 July 2020	Yes	Yes

\*Completed template due to be received by the Secretariat by 25 July 2020

5. **Table 2** provides an update on payment of financial contributions for 2020 as at 31 August 2020.

**Table 2: Notes on financial contributions from Cooperating Non-Members for 2019 and 2020 as at 31 August 2020**

COOPERATING NON-MEMBER	2019 assessed financial contribution	2019 payments	2020 assessed financial contribution	2020 payments
<i>Curacao</i>	n/a	n/a	21,715	0
<i>Ecuador</i>	32,708	32,708	40,155	0
<i>El Salvador</i>	24,810	24,722	23,169	23,169
<i>Liberia</i>	14,458	14,458	14,714	0
<i>Nicaragua</i>	16,116	16,116	15,921	0
<i>Panama</i>	23,559	23,559	25,166	0
<i>Thailand</i>	21,042	21,042	21,688	21,688
<i>Vietnam</i>	16,552	16,552	17,296	0

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 1** 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.

6. Copies of letters and communications related to WCPFC16 outcomes are also provided on the CCM section with reference as **Attachment 1**. A copy of the *WCPFC Circular 2019/05* is also provided on the CCM section.

7. The Secretariat has prepared a draft Compliance Monitoring Report covering 2019 activities for relevant seven current CNMs (Ecuador, El Salvador, Liberia, Nicaragua, Panama, Thailand and Vietnam). As has been 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 2019-06).

### **Recommendation**

<p>8. TCC16 is invited to consider the requests for CNM status for 2021 and make recommendations and technical advice to the Commission. It is expected that a working group will develop draft recommendations for TCC16 to consider.</p>
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