



**TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS,
PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES AND OBSERVERS**

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Decision for an Online WCPFC17 Meeting

Dear All,

Further to Circular 2020/111 of 18 September 2020, I wish to advise Members, Cooperating Non-Members and Participating Territories (CCMs) that after the review period for the proposal not to have a physical meeting for the WCPFC17 meeting and instead convene an online meeting, the responses that were received were all in support of the proposal.

Decision

I can, therefore, confirm that the Commission had:

1. Decided not to convene a physical meeting for the WCPFC17; and
2. Tasked the Secretariat, in collaboration with the WCPFC Chair and Vice Chair, to convene an online meeting for the WCPFC17 meeting between the 8 and 15 December 2020 taking into account the guidance provided by the online HOD meeting held on 15 July 2020 on meeting arrangements for online Commission-like meetings in 2020 as conveyed in the WCPFC Chair's Statement on the Outcomes of the HOD meeting in Circular 2020/68 of 16 July 2020.

I also wish to acknowledge some views expressed by some CCMs on preferable meeting schedules and arrangements, which I will consider when drawing up meeting arrangements for the online WCPFC17 meeting. I will soon be consulting CCMs on those meeting arrangements.

I wish you all well and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Jung-re Riley Kim
WCPFC CHAIR