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**WCPFC IUU VESSEL LIST FOR 2021**

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**Purpose**

1. The paper presents the relevant information for the consideration of WCPFC17 for a decision on the 2021 WCPFC IUU Vessel List.

**Introduction**

2. The Seventh Regular Session of the Commission (WCPFC7) adopted Conservation and Management Measure 2010-06 (CMM 2010-06) ‘Conservation and Management Measure to Establish a List of Vessels Presumed to Have Carried Out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing Activities in the WCPO’ (which replaced CMM 2007-03). This CMM has now been revised and replaced by CMM 2019-07.
3. CMM 2019-07 requires the Executive Director to prepare a draft IUU Vessel List based on information received from Members, Cooperating Non-Members and Participating Territories (CCMs) at least 70 days before the annual meeting of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC). This CMM further requires the Executive Director to transmit the draft IUU Vessel List, together with all the supporting evidence provided, to all CCMs, as well as to non-CCMs with vessels on the list, at least 55 days before the annual meeting of the TCC.

**Recommendations on the provisional WCPFC IUU Vessel List**

4. TCC16 reviewed the current WCPFC IUU Vessel List for 2020 and deliberated the inclusion of a presumed IUU vessel the **ORYONG No.721**, a vessel flagged to the Republic of Korea, based on a submission received by the Secretariat from the Republic of Marshall Islands. The record of the deliberations can be found in the draft TCC16 Summary Report paragraphs 21-61. The recommendations are provided in the box below with the relevant paragraph numbering.

TCC16 recommended to WCPFC17 that the three fishing vessels **NEPTUNE**, **FU LIEN No.1** and **YU FONG 168** on the WCPFC IUU Vessel List in 2020 remain on that list for 2021, noting the inclusion of the updated information from Chinese Taipei to confirm the master of the **YU FONG 168** which has been included in the list. (*TCC16 draft Summary Report, paragraph 59*)

TCC16 recommended the Commission task the Executive Director to:

- a. seek the former flag States' cooperation to provide any information on these vessels, including their respective masters' names and nationalities;
- b. write to all CCMs requesting them to provide information to the Commission if the vessels are located, or if there are any known changes to name, flag or registered owner, including any action that port States have taken such as denial of port entry and services to those vessels or any information from cannery States of any landings made by these vessels;
- c. write a letter to other RFMOs conveying this same message for cooperation to locate these vessels; and
- d. propose that any information received by the Executive Director is reported promptly to CCMs. (*TCC16 draft Summary Report, paragraph 60*)

TCC16 noted that consensus was not reached on the inclusion of the **ORYONG No.721** on the Provisional IUU List with the majority of TCC members supporting its inclusion, whilst a minority of TCC members did not support its inclusion. TCC16 agreed to place the vessel on the Provisional IUU Vessel List with a note to WCPFC17 that consensus was not reached on this vessel. (*TCC16 draft Summary Report, paragraph 61*)

5. A copy of the provisional IUU Vessel List is provided in **Annex 1**. Copies of suitably documented information that relates to the provisional IUU Vessel List can be accessed by authorized CCM users from the WCPFC secure CCM site on the website. A copy of the current WCPFC IUU Vessel List is posted on the WCPFC website at <https://www.wcpfc.int/wcpfc-iuu-vessel-list> and a copy is provided as **Annex 2** to this paper.

## Recommendations

6. WCPFC17 is invited, pursuant to CMM 2019-07, to adopt a new WCPFC IUU Vessel List for 2021, considering:
  - a. the provisional IUU Vessel List recommended by TCC16, and taking into account any newly suitably documented information related to that list; and
  - b. the TCC16 recommendation to maintain the three vessels that are currently on the WCPFC IUU Vessel List and any other relevant information.
7. WCPFC17 is also invited to consider approving the TCC16 recommendations that the Executive Director request information about the vessels on the WCPFC IUU Vessel List and to promptly advise CCMs (*TCC16 draft summary report para 60*).



### PROVISIONAL WCPFC IUU VESSEL LIST FOR 2021

**Note:** Information provided in this list is in accordance with CMM 2019-07 para 19 and WCPFC13 decisions

Current name of vessel (previous names)	Current flag (previous flags)	Date first included on WCPFC IUU Vessel List	Flag State Registration Number/ IMO Number	Call Sign (previous call signs)	Vessel Master (nationality)	Owner/beneficial owners (previous owners)	Notifying CCM	IUU activities
Oryong No 721	Republic of Korea	<i>(included in presumed IUU vessel list, received by WCPFC 27 February 2020)</i>	9705004-6260007 /  IMO No 8815700	DTAH8	Tae Sik, Kim <sup>1</sup> (Republic of Korea)	Sajo Industries Co. Ltd, 107-39, Tongil Ro, Seodaemun-gu, Seoul, Korea <sup>2</sup>	Republic of Marshall Islands	Fishing in the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Republic of the Marshall Islands without permission and in contravention of Republic of the Marshall Islands's laws and regulations. (CMM 2019-07, para 3b)

<sup>1</sup> From WCPFC RFV and considering the clarification provided during TCC16 by the Republic of Korea on the vessel master at the time of the relevant alleged activity

<sup>2</sup> From WCPFC RFV



### WCPFC IUU VESSEL LIST FOR 2020

*(Effective from 9 February 2020: WCPFC16 agreed to maintain the WCPFC IUU list for 2019 as the WCPFC IUU list for 2020)*

**Note:** Information provided in this list is in accordance with CMM 2019-07 para 19 and WCPFC13 decisions

Current name of vessel (previous names)	Current flag (previous flags)	Date first included on WCPFC IUU Vessel List <sup>3</sup>	Flag State Registration Number/IMO Number	Call Sign (previous call signs)	Vessel Master (nationality)	Owner/ beneficial owners (previous owners)	Notifying CCM	IUU activities
Neptune	<i>unknown</i> (Georgia)	10 Dec. 2010	M-00545	<i>unknown</i> (4LOG)		Space Energy Enterprises Co. Ltd.	France	Fishing on the high seas of the WCPF Convention Area without being on the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels (CMM 2007-03-para 3a)
Fu Lien No 1	<i>unknown</i> (Georgia)	10 Dec. 2010	M-01432 IMO No 7355662	<i>unknown</i> (4LIN2)		Fu Lien Fishery Co., Georgia	United States	Is without nationality and harvested species covered by the WCPF Convention in the Convention Area (CMM 2007-03, para 3h)
Yu Fong 168	<i>unknown</i> (Chinese Taipei)	11 Dec. 2009		BJ4786	Mr Jang Faa Sheng (Chinese Taipei)	Chang Lin Pao-Chun, 161 Sanmin Rd., Liouciuo Township, Pingtung County 929, Chinese Taipei	Marshall Islands	Fishing in the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Republic of the Marshall Islands without permission and in contravention of Republic of the Marshall Islands's laws and regulations. (CMM 2007-03, para 3b)

<sup>3</sup> **Supplementary note as at 7 Dec 2017:** In October 2015, at the request of TCC11 the Executive Director sent letters to: Chinese Taipei and Georgia to request information of their vessel/s on the WCPFC IUU list, specifically their last known operations and whereabouts; and to other RFMOs (CCAMLR, CCSBT, IATTC, ICCAT, IOTC, NPAFC & SPRFMO) to seek their cooperation with locating the vessels on the WCPFC IUU list underlining that they are now listed on a number of IUU lists. Georgia replied to confirm that the vessels **Neptune** and **Fu Lien No 1** are no longer flying Georgia flag. Chinese Taipei confirmed that with respect to **Yu Fong 168**, the license was revoked in 2009 the owner of the vessel has been penalized through repeated monetary punishment for violating the rules of not returning to port. Chinese Taipei further advised that the most recent information was received from Thailand's notification to IOTC that the vessel landed their catches in the port of Phuket in the year 2013. On 17 November 2017, WCPFC received a communication from Chinese Taipei informing WCPFC that **Yu Fong 168** has been deregistered by Chinese Taipei. On 29 April 2020, WCPFC received further information from Chinese Taipei identifying the master of the **Yu Fong 168** at the time of the IUU fishing activity who had been sanctioned.