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PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS**

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2 July B.E. 2564 (2021)

Dear Mr. Feleti P. Teo OBE,

Subject: Submission of Annual Report Part 1 covering 2020 Activities

Following the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (CMM 2019-01), an Annual Report Part 1 to provide a summary of each CCMs information on fisheries, research, and statistics during the preceding calendar year shall be submitted to the Executive Director.

In this connection, the Department of Fisheries of Thailand is pleased to inform you that the above-mentioned Report covering 2020 activities has been made and enclosed herewith for your consideration and assessment under the Compliance Monitoring Scheme. Should further information be required, please contact us at overc.dof@gmail.com.

Please be assured of our full cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

(Mr. Bancha Sukkaew)
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For Director-General

Enclosure: As stated

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**ANNUAL REPORT TO
THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC FISHERIES COMMISSION**

PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

THAILAND ANNUAL FISHERY REPORT 2020

**DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES**



ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION
The Commission for the Conservation and Management of
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ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

Purpose: To provide relevant information to the Commission on fishing activities of CCMs and cooperating non-CCMs, including management and compliance issues. The report should include all fishing activities for highly migratory species being undertaken within the Convention Area as required by the Convention and decisions by the Commission.

PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

(Summary information for the 2020, complementary to data submitted)

Part 1 of the Annual Report is due one-month prior to the annual regular session of the Scientific Committee.

Part 1 of the Annual Report shall include the following, completed box at the front of the report.

Scientific data was provided to the Commission in accordance with the decision relating to the provision of scientific data to the Commission by 30 April 2020	NO
If no, please indicate the reason(s) and intended actions: In 2020, Thailand as a cooperating Non-Member, the participatory rights of Thailand in WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only, thus, Thailand did not collect any scientific data in WCPFC.	

ANNUAL FISHERIES INFORMATION

Essential information

I. Annual Catch and Effort by Primary Species and Gear in the WCPFC Competent Area

As a Cooperating Non-Member, Thailand has participatory rights limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only. In 2020, no Thai fishing vessel operated in the WCPFC Competent Area. There were only Thai carrier vessels listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels for fish transshipment but these vessels also did not operate in the convention area in 2020.

II. Number of vessels

In 2020, Thailand has 5 (five) fish carrier vessels listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels for transshipment of fishery production from this competent area. The vessel names are as follows;

1. Asean Marine Reefer	Registration No	460001769
2. Asean Marine Reefer 2	Registration No	470004272
3. Patsorn	Registration No	530003172
4. S.Leelawadee	Registration No	460003923
5. Sirichai Reefer	Registration No	447400203

Note: The authorized period of Asean Marine Reefer has been expired on 21 April 2020.

III. Fishing patterns (catch by time/area)

The participatory rights of Thailand in the WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only.

IV. Estimated total catches of non-target associated and dependent species (if Available)

Useful information

V	Developments/trends in the fishery (changes in fishing patterns, fleet operations, target species, level of transshipment, etc.)
VI	Associated socioeconomic factors (which may influence or explain the above trends)
VII	Disposal of catch (fresh/frozen/other)/market destination (export/domestic)
VIII	Onshore developments (processing plants, support facilities, etc.)
IX	Future prospects of the fishery (long term viability, expansion/contraction, etc.)

RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

X	Summary of observer and port sampling programmes (scientific data)
XI	Research activities (tunas, other species, species of special interest, oceanographic influences, etc.)
XII	Statistical data collection systems in use (describe)
XIII	Data coverage of catch, effort and size data for all species

Annex 1. Suggested layout for PART 1 of the Annual Report to the Commission

1. ABSTRACT

As a Cooperating Non-Member, the participatory rights of Thailand in WCPO in the year 2020 were limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only. Thailand has 5 (five) fish carrier vessels listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels. In 2020, there were no fish carrier vessels from Thailand operated in the Convention Area.

2. Tabular Annual Fisheries Information

Tabular Annual Fisheries Information - [national fleet], for years [x-5] to [x-1]

The following table shows the suggested captions for the tables and figures required in Annual Report Part 1 covering Annual Fisheries Information.

Suggested Table / Figure caption
Table 1. Annual catch and effort estimates for the [National fleet], by gear and primary species, for the WCPFC Convention Area and [other broad ocean area], for years [x-5] to [x-1].
Figure 1 Historical annual catch for the [National fleet], by gear and primary species, for the WCPFC Convention Area presented as a line graph.
Figure 2 Historical annual vessel numbers for the [National fleet], by gear for the WCPFC Convention Area presented as a line graph
Table 2. Number of [National fleet] vessels, by gear and size category, active in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1].
Figure 3 Annual distribution of target species catch and effort by the [National fleet] active in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1].
Table 3. Observed annual estimated catches of species of special interest (seabird, turtle and marine mammals) by gear for the [National fleet], in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1] to the extent available.
Table 4. Annual estimated catches of non-target, associated and dependent species, including sharks, by the [National fleet], by gear and species, in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1] to the extent available.
Table 5. Estimated annual coverage of operational catch/effort, port sampling and observer data for the [National fleet], by gear, active in the WCPFC Convention Area, by gear, for years [x-5] to [x-1].

Notes : In 2020, Thai carrier vessels did not operate in the Convention Area, therefore Thailand has no transshipment information to report to the Commission.

3. BACKGROUND

Thailand requested the Commission for the status of Cooperating Non - Members (CNM) and was accorded in 2010, the participatory rights of Thailand in the WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only.

Since 2015, Thailand has reformed the fisheries laws for several sections in order to be consistent with the international regulations and to improve the monitoring, control, and surveillance measures (MCS). These included port-in/port-out control, vessel monitoring system (VMS), reporting of a fishing logbook, observer deployment, and other electronic tools for MCS (E-Reporting System and E-Monitoring System).

4. Flag State Reporting

Not applicable

5. Coastal State Reporting

Not applicable

6. Socio-economic factors

Not applicable

7. Disposal of catch

Not applicable

8. Onshore developments

Not applicable

9. Future Prospects of the fishery

Not applicable

10. Status of tuna fishery data collection systems

- a. Logsheet data collection and verification
- b. Observer programme
- c. Port sampling programme
- d. Unloading/Transshipment

11. Research activities covering target and non-target species

Not applicable

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