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Subject: Review of Conservation and Management Measure for Bigeye,
Yellowfin and Skipjack Tuna during TCC8

Dear Professor Hurry,

Greetings of peace and good health to you.

As you very well know, the Philippines is committed to ensure the long-term conservation and sustainable use, in particular for human food consumption, of highly migratory fish stocks in the western and central Pacific Ocean for present and future generations and in accordance with the 1982 Convention and the Agreement. That is embodied in our commitments as already expressed in CMM 2011-01. However, the efficacy of this CMM is very short lived as this will be effective from October 1, 2012 until 28 February 2013. There is therefore not enough data/information that can be gathered to determine whether this is an effective measure as regards the conservation of bigeye and yellowfin tuna.


This being the case, we are moving for the extension of this CMM 2011-01 so that sufficient data/information be obtained before any future decision is to be made. Please include this as part of Agenda item 2 of TCC8.

Rest assured of the commitment of the Philippines to ensure the long term sustainable utilization of these highly migratory fish stocks.

Many thanks and best regards.

I remain,

Truly yours,


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