

**WCPFC**

**Intercessional Meeting to Progress the draft Bridging Measure for South Pacific Albacore**

**4th October 2017**

**Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**WCPFC-IM-SPA-INF-01**

**25 September 2017**

**AGENDA ITEM 1 OPENING OF MEETING**

The meeting will open at 8:30 on Wednesday, 4 October, 2017

**1.1 Welcome**

The WCPFC Chair will officiate at the opening of the meeting by welcoming all delegations and providing some opening remarks. She will then introduce the facilitator and a representative from New Zealand who will preside over the remainder of the meeting.

**1.2 Adoption of Agenda**

The Provisional Agenda (WCPFC-IM-SPA-INF-01) that was distributed will be introduced and adopted with any agreed changes.

**1.3 Introduction**

New Zealand will be invited to give a presentation on the background of the CMM to provide context for the day.

**AGENDA ITEM 2 PRESENTATION OF OUTCOMES OF SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE 13TH ANNUAL SESSION**

**2.1 Stock assessment outcomes for albacore**

SPC-OFP will provide a presentation on the status of the South Pacific albacore stock and most recent catch estimates.

**2.2 Relevant recommendations from SC13**

SPC-OFP will provide a summary of SC13 and relevant recommendations.

**2.3 Economic status of the fishery**

FFA will provide a summary of cost structures for the southern longline fishery.

**AGENDA ITEM 3 HARVEST STRATEGY**

**3.1 Progress on South Pacific albacore harvest strategy**

The WCPFC Secretariat will give a presentation on the progress of the harvest strategy for South Pacific albacore, including adoption of a TRP and LRP.

CCMs will be invited to discuss the most recent TRP impacts analysis (SC13-WCPFC13-03) in preparation for adoption of the South Pacific albacore TRP at WCPFC14.

**AGENDA ITEM 4 KEY ISSUES**

**4.1 Future of albacore fishery**

CCMs will be invited to discuss what they want out of the South Pacific albacore fishery and how they see the fishery changing in the next 5 to 10 years. CCMs will also be invited to discuss how they see the CMM fitting into the overall management of South Pacific albacore.

**AGENDA ITEM 5 Draft Bridging CMM**

**5.1 Draft CMM**

CCMs will be invited to discuss the draft bridging measure for South Pacific albacore and may provide advice on the components of the CMM including setting an interim limit and apportioning catch, facilitating cooperation, and how the CMM fits within the development of a harvest strategy.

**AGENDA ITEM 6 NEXT STEPS**

CCMs will consider next steps on progressing the draft Bridging CMM and related issues.

**AGENDA ITEM 7 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Chair will close the meeting at the end of the proceedings.