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Report on CMM 2024-01 (PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA) AND CMM 2024-02 (MCS of PBF)

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Report on CMM 2024-01 (Pacific bluefin tuna)

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CMM 2024-01 Compiled Information on Pacific Bluefin Tuna (Fishing Effort and Catch)

Table 1. Fishing effort by vessels fishing for Pacific bluefin tuna *in the area north of 20° N in the Convention Area*

Fishery	Unit of fishing effort ¹	Baseline fishing effort (Para 2, CMM 2024-01)				Fishing effort (Para 9, CMM 2024-01)		
		2002	2003	2004	2002-2004 Average	2023	2024	2025
Vanuatu								
Longline	No. of vessels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Report on CMM 2024-02 (MCS of Pacific bluefin tuna)

1) Monitoring and control measures for fisheries

- a. **Registration of commercial fishing vessels that are authorized to fish for Pacific bluefin tuna (including the WCPFC RFV in accordance with CMM 2018-06 on WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels and Authorization to Fish)**

Vanuatu does not have a targeted fishery for Pacific Bluefin Tun (PBFT). Any PBFT caught is by Vanuatu flagged vessels from longline fishing operations, as bycatch.

- b. **Registration of set nets that are authorized to fish for Pacific bluefin tuna (including registration scheme, number of registered set nets)**

Vanuatu does not have set net targeting Pacific Bluefin tuna and there are no historical records indicating the capture of PBFT using this fishing method.

- c. **Allocation of catch limits by fishery within the CCMs, where such allocation exists**

Vanuatu does not have a set catch limit for Pacific Bluefin Tuna as it is not a target species.

¹ e.g., sets, fishing days, vessels

d. Reporting requirements for catches for fisheries (targeted, incidental, and discards)

Vanuatu does not have a targeted fishery for Pacific Bluefin Tuna (PBFT). Catches of this species occur occasionally through longline fisheries. In 2025, there was no record of PBFT catch.

e. Measures to monitor catch (e.g., landing receipts, landing inspection, observer program, etc.)

Vanuatu monitors the catch of PBFT through logsheet data and observer reports.

f. Measures to monitor landings (including CMM 2017-02 on Minimum Standards for Port State Measures)

Ports that are party to the PSMA where Vanuatu vessels offload their catches send their landing data to Vanuatu.

g. Measures to monitor domestic transactions

PBFT are not caught in the Vanuatu EEZ.

(2) Monitoring and control measures for farming

a. Registration of farms that are authorized to farm Pacific bluefin tuna (including registration scheme, number of registered farms, number of registered 'holding pens' or 'cages')

There are no farms or individuals engaged in PBFT farming in Vanuatu.

b. Reporting requirements for caging of fish and c. Reporting requirements for harvest of farmed fish

There are no farms or individuals engaged in PBFT farming in Vanuatu.

c. Measures to monitor farming activities (including Rules, standards, and procedures to monitor transfer and caging activities)

There are no farms or individuals engaged in PBFT farming in Vanuatu.