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CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

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ISSUES:

- 1. TCC6 reviewed several CMMs and four required further discussion and decision by WCPFC7, namely:
 - CMM 2007-03 IUU Listing:
 - CMM 2008-01 Bigeye and Yellowfin Tuna;
 - CMM 2009-01 Record of Fishing Vessels;
 - CMM 2007-04 By-Catch Mitigation.
- 2. CCMs may raise other CMMs for discussion at WCPFC7.

ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3. CMM 2007-03 [IUU listing] This discussion will be supported by three papers:
 - the implementation of para 3(j) by the USA;
 - review of paras 15 and 25 by Tonga for FFA members to insert 'national satisfaction for listing and removal from the iuu list where the infraction was inside a coastal State waters;
 - general review of the CMM by New Zealand for the small working group.
- 4. CMM 2008-01 [Bigeye and Yellowfin] The Commission discussion will determine the priority of this CMM in 2011 with decisions required on:
 - the interpretation of para 46 and the requirement of extension of all 2011 measures until a new measure can be developed and approved;
 - the development and agreement on a catch data scheme (CDS) with FFA members taking the lead in the review of four proposals on this item;
 - measures for non-compliance with the CMM.

- 5. CMM 2009-01 [Record of Fishing Vessels and Interim Register of Non-Member Carriers and Bunkers] TCC discussions raised questions with respect to the 'nominal fee' for non-member carriers and bunkers and TCC6 recommended it become an annual fee. There are other issues surrounding these vessels with respect to other Commission costs (VMS, ROP for transhipments, etc.) which will be presented to WCPFC7 for resolution. The minimum data requirements as per para 6 of the CMM prior to posting on the web need to be agreed. At present most CCMs are not providing all the information required. Decisions need to be taken with respect to the further development of an electronic register, and adoption of a unique vessel identifier with appropriate direction to the Secretariat.
- 6. CMM 2007-04 [By Catch Mitigation] TCC6 asked that WCPFC7 task SC to provide further information on by catch mitigation measures with special attention to deep set line shooters.
- 7. CCMs may propose other amendments to CMMs.
- 8. WCPFC7 is invited to review the proposed amendments to CMM 2007-03, CMM 2008-01, CMM 2009-01 and CMM 2007-04 as well as any others proposed by CCMs and provide decisions to the Secretariat and Commission accordingly