HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has been asked to delay consideration or deny
the swordfish longline exempted fishing permit under California Assembly Joint Resolution
(AJR) No. 62. AJR No. 62 (introduced by Assembly Member Leno and other co-authors)
misstated facts specifically from NMFS reports.

The Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS) recommends that NMFS educate
Mr. Leno and his co-authors about the misstated facts for the record and asks the Council to
consider any state legislation efforts be reviewed where appropriate.

Constant misstatements of fact in recent California legislative efforts continue to undermine the
credibility and authority of the Council.

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