INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Several recent and upcoming international meetings will include consideration of important issues relevant to the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council). These include preliminary results of the North Pacific albacore stock assessment and possible harvest strategy revisions, the pending management strategy evaluation for North Pacific swordfish, a potential harvest strategy for bigeye tuna, and a preferred Pacific bluefin tuna (PBF) harvest strategy, which remains unresolved. The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) report (G.2.a, NMFS Report 1) summarizes several of these meetings and key issues and lists potential U.S. priorities for submission to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC).

Christa Svensson, U.S. Commissioner to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC), will provide additional information on upcoming meetings and international issues pending before the WCPFC.

The Council should consider the potential U.S. priorities for IATTC and make recommendations for upcoming IATTC and WCPFC meetings and other forums, as appropriate.

Council Action:

Provide Recommendations on U.S. Positions at Upcoming Meetings and Other Forums, as Appropriate.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item G.2.a, NMFS Report 1.
2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

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- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action**: Provide Recommendations on U.S. Positions at Upcoming Meetings and Other Forums, as Appropriate

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