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**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA**

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**WCPFC6-2009/03  
6 December 2010**

**AGENDA ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The Session will open at 09:00 on Monday, 6 December 2010.

The Commission Chair Satya Nandan will welcome delegates from WCPFC Members, Cooperating Non-Members and Participating Territories (CCMs), Observers, IGOs and NGOs.

**1.1 Welcoming addresses**

The dignitaries from the USA will provide a welcome address.

Following the opening ceremony, the Chair will deal with procedural matters of the Session.

**1.2 Adoption of agenda**

The provisional agenda for WCPFC7 was prepared and distributed on 7 September 2010 in accordance with Rule 1 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure. In accordance with Rule 3, Members may propose supplementary items up until 30 days before the meeting. The Commission will be asked how it wishes to deal with supplementary items, if any.

**1.3 Meeting arrangements**

The Commission will review the Provisional Schedule. The Chair will outline any logistical and administrative arrangements in place to support the meeting, proposed meeting times and any social engagements.

**AGENDA ITEM 2. MEMBERSHIP**

**2.1 Status of the Convention**

The Commission will receive a brief report on the status of the Convention.

## **2.2 Applications for Observer status**

In accordance with Rule 36 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Commission will be advised of any applications for observer status that were received from non-government organisations 50 days in advance of the Session. The Commission will be advised of those observers that were subsequently invited to participate in the Session.

## **2.3 Applications for cooperating Non-Members status**

The Commission will consider applications for cooperating Non-Member (CNM) received during 2010. The advice and recommendations of the TCC6 in relation to applications received, considered on the basis of procedures provided for in CMM 2009-11 will be available to the Commission.

## **AGENDA ITEM 3. MEMBER REPORTS**

### **3.1 Annual reports by the CCMs**

Article 23 and Article 32 require CCMs to report on implementation of the Convention and any CMMs or other matters which may be agreed from time to time. If not already done so (in the form of Part 1 reports submitted to the Scientific Committee (SC) and Part 2 reports submitted to the TCC), hard copy and/or electronic version reports should be forwarded to the Executive Director at least 30 days in advance of WCPFC7 in the format agreed by the Commission. The Chair may invite each CCM to provide a brief summary of the key issues of their Annual Report to the meeting.

### **3.2 Statements of Non-Members**

Non-Members are invited to supply similar reports as described under Agenda Item 3.1 for vessels and fishing activities in the Convention Area for which they are responsible. Hard copy and/or electronic versions of this report should be forwarded to the Executive Director at least 30 days in advance of the Seventh Regular Session of the Commission (WCPFC7). The Chair may invite Non-Members to provide a brief summary of key issues of their report to the meeting.

## **AGENDA ITEM 4. SCIENCE ISSUES**

### **4.1 Report of the Sixth Regular Session of the Scientific Committee**

The Chair of the SC, Mr Naozumi Miyabe (Japan), will provide a summary of the outcomes of the Sixth Regular Session of the Scientific Committee (SC6) which was held 10-19 August, 2010 at Nuku'alofa, Kingdom of Tonga.

The Commission is invited to review the outcomes of the SC5, seeks additional clarification and request additional scientific advice as necessary, and determines a programme of action to implement agreed responses to the scientific advice and recommendations received.

### **4.2 Stock status of key tuna species and evaluation of CMM-2008-01**

The Science Service Provider will present stock assessment of key tuna species (the result of bigeye and skipjack tuna assessment) and evaluation of the bigeye and yellowfin tuna management measure (CMM-

2008-01). The Commission is invited to review the outcomes of 2010 full stock assessment of bigeye and skipjack tuna and any amendments necessary to CMM-2008-01.

#### **4.3 Strategic Research Plan and future work programme and budget for 2011-2013**

The SC Chair will present a proposed work programme and budget for scientific services and scientific research for 2011 and an indicative budget for 2012 and 2013.

The Commission will consider the 2011-2013 SC work programme for adoption. The Commission may refer to the advice and recommendations of the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) in relation to budget considerations.

### **AGENDA ITEM 5. NORTHERN COMMITTEE**

#### **5.1 Report of the Fifth Regular Session of the Northern Committee**

The Chair of the NC, Mr Masanori Miyahara (Japan), will present a summary of the outcomes of the NC6 which was held 7-10 September, 2010 at Fukuoka, Japan, with the NC Reference Points Workshop on 6 September 2010. The Chair will report on the NC's response to requests from the Commission on CMMs and present the advice and recommendations of the NC6 to the Commission in respect of northern stocks (Pacific bluefin tuna, North Pacific albacore and North Pacific swordfish).

The Commission is invited to review the outcomes of the NC6, seek additional clarification and request additional scientific and management advice as necessary, and determine a programme of action to formulate and implement CMMs in respect of the northern stocks.

#### **5.2 Future work programme and budget for 2011-2013**

The NC6 Chair will present a proposed work programme and budget for 2011-2013. The Commission is invited to identify items with implications for the Commission's work programme and budget during the presentation.

The Commission will consider the 2011-2013 NC work programme for adoption. The Commission may refer to the advice and recommendations of the FAC in relation to budget considerations, noting that costs associated with the NC work programme in respect to northern stocks is supported by the NC Members.

### **AGENDA ITEM 6. TECHNICAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE**

#### **6.1 Report of the Sixth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee**

The Chair of the TCC, Mr Noan Pakop (Papua New Guinea), will present a summary of the outcomes of the Sixth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC6) which was held 30 September - 6 October, 2010 at Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia. The Chair will report on the TCC's response to requests from the Commission in relation to the implementation of CMMs and present the advice and recommendations of the TCC to the Commission in matters relating to the functions of the TCC.

#### **6.2 Future work programme and budget for 2011-2013**

The TCC Chair will present a proposed work programme and budget for 2011 and an indicative budget for 2012 and 2013.

The Commission will consider the 2011-2013 TCC work programme for adoption. The Commission may refer to the advice and recommendations of the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) in relation to budget considerations.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 7. REGIONAL OBSERVER PROGRAMMES**

The Commission will be consider a report of activities of the Regional Observer Programme (ROP) and issues to be addressed for proper implementation of the ROP, including any recommendations from TCC, including ROP Data Management and Costs.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8. VESSEL MONITORING SYSTEM**

The Commission will consider a report of intersessional activities of the Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), including the status of the SLA between FFA and WCPFC and the issues with the current arrangement. The Commission will consider the VMS Cost Recovery options and discuss issues raised by the recently completed VMS Security Audit.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 9. AD HOC TASK GROUP – DATA**

The Commission may consider, subject to the outcomes of the TCC6, provision of monitoring, control and surveillance data by chartered vessels and ongoing advice and recommendations on data rules and procedures, with initial focus on the issue of data provision by chartered vessels.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 10. CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES**

##### **10.1 Review of existing conservation and management measures**

Twenty-five CMMs and four Resolutions relating to vessel records and vessel markings, the sustainability of highly migratory fish stocks, mitigation of by-catch, elements of the Commission's MCS Scheme and capacity reduction adopted during the Multilateral High Level Conference, the Preparatory Conference and preceding sessions of the Commission continue to apply (<http://www.wcpfc.int/conservation-and-management-measures>).

The Commission is invited to consider the implementation and any proposed refinements to the existing CMMs and Resolutions in light of advice and recommendations from its subsidiary bodies and experience gained by Members and by the Secretariat in implementing Measures during 2010.

##### **10.2 Report by PNA Members on the implementation of the Vessel Day Scheme**

WCPFC4 (paragraph 325) noted that the Vessel Day Scheme (VDS) was operational and that the VDS is the measure adopted by PNA Members of the Commission for managing capacity and fishing effort in the EEZs of PNA Members. It was agreed that the PNA would provide a report to the Commission on the implementation of the VDS at each annual session of the Commission.

##### **10.3 Consideration of new measures and other conservation requirements**

The Commission is invited to consider the formulation of new or supplementary CMMs in accordance with new information and analysis provided by its subsidiary bodies.

[Supplementary information to be provided after TCC6]

## **AGENDA ITEM 11. ANNUAL REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION**

The Chair will invite the Executive Director to present the annual report on the work of the Commission for the 2010 calendar year. The Commission will discuss inter-sessional activities of the Commission, including any highlighted issues associated with the Secretariat performance and priority issues before the Commission.

## **AGENDA ITEM 12. REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

The Chair of the FAC will present a summary of the agenda items and issues, advice and recommendations considered at the Fourth Meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC4), 5-10 December 2010 for further consideration, refinement as necessary and adoption by WCPFC7. A Provisional Annotated Agenda for this meeting is available on the WCPFC website.

## **AGENDA ITEM 13. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPING STATES**

In accordance with Article 30 of the Convention and recommendations and advice of its subsidiary bodies, the Commission is invited to consider means for assisting developing States, participating territories and possessions build capacity in relation to the conservation and management of highly migratory fish stocks in the Convention Area.

### **13.1 CCM's report on the implementation of Article 30**

As agreed by the Commission at WCPFC6 (paragraph 381, WCPFC6 Summary Report), developed CCMs will report to the Commission on their implementation of Article 30 of the WCPF Convention.

## **AGENDA ITEM 14. COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

In accordance with Article 22 of the Convention, the Secretariat will report on efforts to date, and activities planned for 2011, to strengthen cooperation, consultation and collaboration with other RFMOs and relevant national and international organisations.

[Supplementary information to be provided after TCC6]

## **AGENDA ITEM 15. PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

WCPFC6 noted that because there was no budget for a performance review to be undertaken in 2010, the review was postponed for future consideration.

The Commission is invited to consider i) whether or not to proceed with a review in 2011 and, if so, ii) the terms of reference for the review, iii) the process to support the review, and iv) an appropriate budget for the review.

## **AGENDA ITEM 16. WORK PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2011 AND INDICATIVE WORK PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2012 AND 2013**

In accordance with Article 18 of the Convention and Regulation 3 of the Financial Regulation, the Commission will, taking into account the recommendations of its subsidiary bodies, and any other matters with implications for the 2010 work programme, decide on a work programme and budget for 2011 and an indicative budget for 2012 and 2013.

**AGENDA ITEM 17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**17.1 Election of officers**

The Commission may consider the selection of:  
Chair of the Commission; and  
Chair of the Scientific Committee.

**17.2 Next meeting**

WCPFC7 will consider a venue and dates for its next regular session in 2011.

**AGENDA ITEM 18. OTHER MATTERS**

The Commission will consider any other matters raised under Agenda Item 1.2.

**AGENDA ITEM 19. SUMMARY REPORT**

The Commission will adopt a Summary Report of its Seventh Regular Session.

**AGENDA ITEM 20. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting is scheduled to close at 1700 on Friday, 10 December 2010.