

To: Members, CNCs and SC

Dear colleagues,

Re: Letter from the Chairperson of the Observer Programme Working Group

Please find attached a letter from the Chairperson of the Observer Programme Working Group, Mr. Michael D. Tosatto.

Best regards,

Johanne Fischer
Executive Secretary



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
Pacific Islands Regional Office
1845 Wasp Blvd., Bldg 176
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818
(808) 725-5000 • Fax: (808) 725-5215

Johanne Fischer
Executive Secretary
SPRFMO Secretariat
P.O. Box 3797
Wellington 6140
New Zealand

FEB 19 2016

Dear Dr. Fischer:

SUBJECT: U.S. Representative for the SPRFMO OPWG

I am writing in response to your letter of February 15, 2016, requesting Members and CNCPs to nominate their representatives for the joint Scientific Committee and Technical Committee Working Group on an Observer Programme (OPWG). Ms. Rini Ghosh (rini.ghosh@noaa.gov; 808-725-5033) has been designated as the representative to the OPWG for the United States and will be coordinating input from U.S. scientific and technical experts as needed. Ms. Ghosh will also be supporting my work as Chair of the OPWG and I request that she be copied on communications directed to me during the OPWG process. While there is no limit on the number of representatives each Member or CNCP can nominate to the OPWG, in the interests of coordinating all appropriate input, I recommend having one or two representatives from each Member or CNCP who can coordinate between the OPWG and other domestic scientific and technical experts to better facilitate that process. Please circulate my letter to all Members and CNCPs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "m. d. to", written over a horizontal line.

Michael D. Tosatto
Regional Administrator

