

**4th Meeting of the Commission
Valdivia, Chile, 25 to 29 January 2016**

COMM-04-01-supp
Annotated Provisional Agenda

1. OPENING OF MEETING

a. Adoption of Agenda

The adoption of the agenda (COMM-04-01) will follow Rule of Procedure 4.3: “*At the beginning of the meeting the Commission shall adopt its agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda and any supplementary items. At that time, any Member or the Executive Secretary may request placement of additional items of an urgent character on the agenda. Such items shall be included on the agenda subject to the approval of the Commission. If any Member of the Commission indicates to the Chair that they are not in a position to take a decision on such items at that meeting, the Chairperson shall direct that the decision be taken intersessionally in accordance with Rule 7.6 – 7.11.*”

2. MEMBERSHIP

a. Status of the Convention

The Depositary (New Zealand) will inform the Commission of any new Contracting Parties or Territories and withdrawals since the last Commission Meeting (COMM-04-03).

b. Participation in the taking of decisions by the Commission (Article 15.9)

Article 15.9 states that “*Unless otherwise decided by the Commission, a member of the Commission that is in arrears with its payment of any monies owed to the Organisation by more than two years shall not participate in the taking of any decision by the Commission until it has paid all monies owed by it to the Commission*”. The Executive Secretary will inform the Commission about any Members that are in arrears since two years and the resulting quorum for the decision-making of the Commission in accordance with Rule of Procedure 7.2.

3. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE (SC)

a. Report of the Committee

The Chairperson of the SC will present the report and scientific advice of the 3rd SC meeting from 29 September to 3 October 2015 in Port Vila, Vanuatu (COMM-04-05). At this meeting, the SC addressed the Roadmap elaborated by the Commission in 2015 (COMM-03, ANNEX C).

a. 2016 Roadmap for the Scientific Committee

The Commission will develop the 2016 Roadmap for the Scientific Committee. For this purpose, the Commission may appoint a small Working Group that will be facilitated by the SC Chairperson.

4. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (FAC)

a. Report of the Committee

The Chairperson of the FAC will present the report (COMM-04-06) and recommendations of the second meeting of the FAC held during the fourth Commission Meeting.

b. Staff Regulations

Based on the report of the FAC Working Group on Staff Regulations the FAC will recommend Staff Regulations for the adoption by the Commission.

c. Budget

The FAC will review the draft budget for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2016 and ending on 30 June 2017 and its Chairperson will present the recommendation to the Commission for discussion and adoption. The Commission will also be informed about the forecasted budget for the subsequent financial year (2017-2018) and may comment.

d. Date and Venue of the next meeting of the Commission

The FAC Chairperson will summarise the discussions held on this item and give the floor to the Members who made an offer to host the 2017 Annual Meeting. The Commission is invited to adopt the venue and dates of the 2017 Annual Meeting. Some Members have informally expressed interest in planning two years ahead to enhance their ability to secure a budget and appropriate venues.

5. COMPLIANCE AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (CTC)

a. Report of the Committee

The Chairperson of the CTC will present the report (COMM-04-07) and recommendations of the CTC Meeting held from 21-23 January 2016 in Valdivia, Chile.

b. Status of Cooperating non-Contracting Parties (CNCs)

Applications for status of CNCP were received from Colombia, Liberia, Peru and the United States of America (CTC-03-07). The Chairperson of the CTC will summarise the review of these applications and any recommendations made by the CTC.

c. 2016 IUU List

In 2015 the Commission included two vessels in the SPRFMO IUU vessel list. At its 2016 meeting the CTC will review the supporting documentation for one additional vessel proposed for inclusion in the 2016 IUU vessel list (CTC-03-05). The Chairperson of the CTC will summarise these discussions and resulting recommendations to the Commission.

6. CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES (CMMs)

The Commission will consider and discuss proposals to revise or amend existing CMMs or for new CMMS taking into account the information received from the subsidiary bodies under agenda items 3 and 5.

7. SPRFMO OBSERVER PROGRAMME

The Commission at its 2015 meeting decided to address this item in 2016 as reflected in the 2015 Report: *“In considering its future work programme the Commission recalled the obligation under Article 28 of the Convention to establish an observer programme within 3 years of the Convention coming in to force. The Commission agreed that an item on the establishment of an observer programme be placed on the agenda of the Commission’s next meeting and*

requested the Secretariat to prepare an information paper summarising the observer programmes of relevant international fisheries management organisations.” The Secretariat will present COMM-04-INF-04.

8. FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission is invited to discuss any matters it wishes to address in future meetings, taking into account current global and regional developments in international fishery fora and other information brought to the attention of the Commission. If desired, the Executive Secretary may be requested by the Chair to summarise recent decisions and requests made by the UN and FAO.

9. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSION (Article 29)

The Executive Secretary will present the draft Annual Report (Comm-04-04) for adoption by the Commission. This report addresses relevant decisions by the SPRFMO in 2015 for the purpose of informing the UN and FAO.

10. OTHER MATTERS

- **Access to documentation leading to an IUU Listing (COMM-04-08).** In March 2015, the Chairperson of the Commission wrote to Commission Members seeking their views on whether the Commission should consider making some of this information available to the general public, for example, by publishing it on the Organisation’s website. Based on responses received from Australia, New Zealand and Peru, the Chairperson decided (see ANNEX 2) that “for the time being the information concerned will be treated as confidential and not disclosed to the public. However, the Executive Secretary will include this matter in the provisional agenda for a decision by the Commission at its fourth meeting in January 2016 in Chile.” The Chairperson also welcomed Members and CNCs to inform the Commission’s discussion by submitting their positions and observations on this matter prior to 24 December 2015.
- **Memorandum of Understanding with CCAMLR (COMM-04-09).** At its last meeting (19-30 October 2015), the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) adopted a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with SPRFMO to be considered by the SPRFMO Commission at its 2016 Meeting. The MoU intends to facilitate the cooperation between the two Organisations, in particular the exchange of documents, data (including fishery data) and scientific information, the harmonisation of approaches in areas of mutual interest and concern including target and by-catch species, VMS, research, mutual support of each other’s CMMs etc. The MoU also proposes a consultative process between the two Secretariats.

11. MEETING REPORT

The draft meeting report will be prepared during the meeting by the Chairperson, assisted by the Secretariat, and will be presented to the Commission on the last day of the meeting for its consideration.

12. CLOSE OF MEETING