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**Proposal to amend Annex 14 of CMM 4.02 Conservation and Management Measure
on Standards for the Collection, Reporting, Verification and Exchange of Data**

European Union

BACKGROUND

Currently, Annex 14 of CMM 4.02 contains a list of 6 species reflecting South Pacific Ocean high seas species which are listed in Appendix 1¹ of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS or Bonn Convention) and Appendix 1² of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).

However, according to the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species³ and Appendix 2 of CITES, there are other endangered, vulnerable and near threatened species found in the SPRFMO Convention area which so far have not been listed in Annex 14 of the CMM 4.02.

In order to better take into account ecosystem considerations, SPRFMO data standards should align with the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management⁴ guidelines where the ecological relationships between harvested, dependent and associated species should be maintained.

The proposed amendment seeks, as advised by the SPRFMO Scientific Committee (SC) on its 4th meeting held in October 2016, to include additional species under the definition of "other species of concern".

¹ http://www.cms.int/sites/default/files/document/Appendices_COP11_E_version5June2015.pdf

² <https://cites.org/sites/default/files/eng/app/2016/E-Appendices-2016-03-10.pdf>

³ IUCN 2016. The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species. Version 2016-2. <http://www.iucnredlist.org>. Downloaded on 17 October 2016.

⁴ <http://www.fao.org/3/a-y4470e.pdf>

PROPOSAL TO AMEND ANNEX 14 OF CMM 4.02 CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE ON STANDARDS FOR THE COLLECTION, REPORTING, VERIFICATION AND EXCHANGE OF DATA

The Commission of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation,

Having regard to the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species and Appendix 2 of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES);

Recalling the FAO Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management⁵ guidelines where the ecological relationships between harvested, dependent and associated species should be maintained;

Taking into account the recommendation of the 4th SPRFMO Scientific Committee meeting of October 2016;

Adopts the following amendment:

Article 1.

Annex 14 of CMM 4.02 Conservation and Management Measure on Standards for the Collection, Reporting, Verification and Exchange of Data is replaced by the following text:

Annex 14

Definition of “other species of concern”

As advised by the Scientific Committee and informed by Appendix 1 of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (a.k.a. CMS or Bonn Convention), the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species, Appendix 1 and 2 of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), “other species of concern” are defined, as of January 2017, as:

Scientific name	English name	3-alfa code ⁶
<i>Alopias spp</i>	Thresher sharks	THR
<i>Antipatharia spp</i>	Black corals	
<i>Bathyraja griseocauda</i>	Graytail skate	BYG
<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>	Silky shark	FAL
<i>Carcharhinus longimanus</i>	Oceanic whitetip shark	OCS
<i>Carcharodon carcharias</i>	Great white shark	WSH
<i>Centrophorus acus</i>	Needle dogfish	CEA
<i>Centrophorus harrissoni</i>	Harrisson's dogfish	CEU
<i>Centrophorus niukang</i>	Taiwan gulper shark	CEK
<i>Centrophorus squamosus</i>	Leafscale gulper shark	GUQ
<i>Centroscymnus coelolepis</i>	Portuguese dogfish	CYO
<i>Cephaloscyllium albipinnum</i>	Whitfin swellshark	
<i>Cetorhinus maximus</i>	Basking shark	BSK
<i>Dalatias licha</i>	Kitefin shark	SCK
<i>Deania quadrispinosa</i>	Longsnout dogfish	SDQ

⁵ <http://www.fao.org/3/a-y4470e.pdf>

⁶ 2016 ASFIS List of Species for Fishery Statistics Purposes

<i>Dipturus cerva</i>	White-spotted skate	JRV
<i>Dipturus gudgeri</i>	Greenback skate	JFU
<i>Dipturus innominatus</i>	New Zealand smooth skate	DPQ
<i>Dipturus trachydermus</i>	Roughskin skate	
<i>Echinorhinus cookei</i>	Prickly shark	ECK
<i>Family Nautilidae</i>		
<i>Heptranchias perlo</i>	Sharpnose sevengill shark	HXT
<i>Hexanchus griseus</i>	Bluntnose sixgill shark	SBL
<i>Hydrolagus ogilbyi</i>	Ogilby's ghostshark	CYJ
<i>Hydrolagus ogilbyi</i>	Ghostshark	CYJ
<i>Lamna nasus</i>	Porbeagle shark	POR
<i>Manta spp.</i>	Manta rays	MNT
<i>Mobula spp.</i>	Mobula nei	RMU
<i>Odontaspis ferox</i>	Smalltooth sand tiger	LOO
<i>Proscymnodon plunketi</i>	Plunket shark	CYU
<i>Rhincodon typus</i>	Whale shark	RHN
<i>Rhinoraja albomaculata</i>	Whitedotted skate	
<i>Rhinoraja macloviana</i>	Patagonian skate	BZM
<i>Rhinoraja multispinis</i>	Multispine skate	
<i>Scleractinia</i>	Stony corals	
<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>	Scalloped hammerhead shark	SPL
<i>Sphyrna mokarran</i>	Great hammerhead shark	SPK
<i>Sphyrna zygaena</i>	Smooth hammerhead shark	SPZ
<i>Squalus chloroculus</i>	Greeneye spurdog	DGZ
<i>Squalus grahami</i>	Eastern longnose spurdog	
<i>Squalus hemipinnis</i>	Indonesian shortsnout spurdog	
<i>Squalus rancureli</i>	Cyrano spurdog	QUR
<i>Squatina albipunctata</i>	Eastern angel shark	
<i>Stylasteridae</i>	Lace corals	
<i>Zearaja chilensis</i>	Kite ray	DPV

Other species may be added by agreement of the Members based on the advice of the Scientific Committee.