

**International Consultations on the Establishment of the  
South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation**  
**Standards for the collection, reporting, verification and exchange of data**

With regard to the fishing vessels flying their flag and fishing for non-highly migratory fishery resources in the Area -

**1. Data on fishing activities and the impacts of fishing**

Participants are to develop, implement and improve systems to:

- (a) Ensure that data on fishing activities are collected from vessels according to the operational characteristics of each fishing method.
  - (i) For drop line and dahn line fishing, Participants are to collect the data described in annex 1;
  - (ii) For transshipment information, Participants are to collect the data described in annex 2;
- (b) Ensure that data to assess the impacts of fishing on non-target and associated or dependant species are collected from vessels.
- (c) Compile data on fishing activities and the impacts of fishing and provide these in a timely manner to the interim Secretariat of the proposed South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO). Such data are to be provided in sufficient detail to facilitate effective stock assessment. Participants will provide by the 30th September, their previous (January to December) year's data on fishing activities and the impacts of fishing.

## **Annex 1**

### **Standard for drop / dahn line fishing activity**

1. Data are to be collected on an un-aggregated (set by set) basis
2. The following fields of data are to be collected:
  - a. Vessel flag
  - b. Vessel name
  - c. Vessel call sign
  - d. Registration number of vessel
  - e. Set start date
  - f. Set start time
  - g. Set end date
  - h. Set end time
  - i. Start of set position (1/10<sup>th</sup> degree resolution)
  - j. End of set position (1/10<sup>th</sup> degree resolution)
  - k. Intended target species
  - l. Depth at start of set
  - m. Depth at end of set
  - n. Total number of hooks hauled in the set
  - o. Total number of line lifts in the set
  - p. Type of bait used
  - q. Catch retained by species in live weight
  - r. An estimate of the amount of living marine resources discarded by species if possible
  - s. Were any marine mammals, seabirds or reptiles caught (Yes/No)

## **Annex 2**

### **Standard for transshipment activity**

1. Data are to be collected on an individual transshipment basis
2. The following fields of data are to be collected:
  - a. Name, registration number and call sign of transshipping (delivering) vessel
  - b. Master of transshipping vessel
  - c. Name, registration number and call sign of reefer (receiving) vessel
  - d. Master of reefer vessel
  - e. Date and time of commencement of transshipment
  - f. Date and time of completion of transshipment
  - g. Position (nearest 1/10<sup>th</sup> degree) at commencement of transshipment
  - h. Position (nearest 1/10<sup>th</sup> degree) at completion of transshipment
  - i. Description of product type (eg whole, frozen fish in 20kg cartons)
  - j. Number of cartons, net weight (metric tonnes) of product, by species
  - k. Total net weight of product transshipped
  - l. Hold numbers in reefer vessel in which product is stowed
  - m. Destination port of reefer vessel (*may not always be known at time of transshipment*)