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RE: Announcement of Joint IATTC – WCPFC NC Working Group Meeting on the Management of Pacific bluefin tuna – 2nd Intersessional Meeting June 2025 (JWGI-02)

Dear Dr. Franco and Ms. Moss-Christian,

The Co-Chairs of the Joint IATTC – WCPFC Northern Committee Working Group on the Management of Pacific bluefin tuna (JWG) would like to announce the second intersessional meeting of the working group to be held virtually on June 26 (La Jolla, CA, USA) / June 27 (Pohnpei, FSM) 2025.

In February 2025, the JWG held the first intersessional meeting in Monterey, California, USA, to share the preliminary results of the Pacific bluefin tuna Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) and to provide guidance to advance the long term harvest strategy. Full details of the JWGI-01, including the Co-Chair's Report, is available on both Commissions' websites.

We anticipate that the final results of the MSE, including the modifications requested by JWGI-01, will be adopted at the International Scientific Committee (ISC) annual meeting (19 – 24 June 2025). The purpose of JWGI-02 is to provide Members with the final approved results of the MSE and to facilitate initial discussion among JWG members.

The dates and virtual format for JWGI-02 were approved by Members at the February meeting, noting that there was very limited availability for dates ahead of JWG-10 that begins on 9 July 2025. Details and registration for the second intersessional meeting on 26 /27 June 2025 will be announced on the meeting websites for both Commissions as soon as possible.

We would be grateful if you could circulate this announcement to all parties.

Sincerely

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Co-Chair for IATTC

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