November 23, 2009

Ambassador Satya N. Nandan
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Dear Ambassador Nandan:

Regarding the e-mail by the WCPFC Secretariat to all WCPFC members on October 27, 2009, to which was attached a letter of the same date from the Embassy of Japan in the Federated States of Micronesia, stating, inter alia, that Japan has notified the Commission of its intention to apply the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures (CMM 2006-08) in their entirety as between Japan and Chinese Taipei, I would like to issue the following statement:

1. In accordance with the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures as well as the aforementioned correspondence from Japan, the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures shall become effective as between Japan and Chinese Taipei on a reciprocal basis.

2. Chinese Taipei also wishes to reiterate that according to paragraph 6 of the CMM 2006-08, in absence of a notification by a Contracting Party of its intent to apply the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures in their entirety as between that Contracting Party and a Fishing Entity on a reciprocal basis, the Procedures are deemed to be not in effect as between the Contracting Party and the Fishing Entity.
3. In response to the said correspondence from Japan, details of the point of contact from Chinese Taipei are as follows:

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4. My government has provided the details of our inspection vessels, together with the names of the crew and qualified inspectors on board, for inclusion on the WCPFC High Seas Boarding and Inspection Register.

Sincerely yours,

James Sha
Director-General

c.c.: Embassy of Japan in the Federated States of Micronesia

Mr. Masanori Miyahara, Chief Counselor, Fisheries Agency of Japan