Dear Mr. Glenn Hurry,

Subject: Notification of Tuvalu’s Authorized Patrol Vessel Information, Vessel Authority, Authorities for Inspectors, and the MCS Entity and Personnel For the Receipt of Non Public Domain Data and Information and VMS Client Activation

Authorized Patrol Vessel Information
In accordance with Article 26(1) of the WCPFC Convention and paragraph 13(a) of CMM 2006-08, Tuvalu wishes to provide the following details of its patrol vessel assigned for Patrols in the Convention Area including the high seas.

a. Details of the Vessel include:

Name: HMTSS Te Mataili
Description: Length: 31.5M Breadth: 8M Draught: 2.3M Colour: Grey
Hull Number: 801 IRCS: T2SB Registration Number: 572211301
Port of Registry: Funafuti, TUVALU Communication capability: Pri 8247 KHz Sec 4576 KHz, Tertiary 12772 KHz

b. The Tuvalu wishes to certify that the vessel is clearly marked and identifiable as being on government service.

c. The Tuvalu also wishes to certify that the crew of the Patrol vessel has received and completed training in carrying out boarding and inspection activities at sea in accordance with the standards and procedures as have been adopted by the Commission in accordance with the Convention Para 26 and Annex III, Para 6 as well as CMM 2006-08.

d. The Authority for the operations and management of the patrol vessel is:

Name of Agency: Maritime Wing Police Service
Address: NCC Building, Vaiaku, Funafuti, Tuvalu
Contact Person: Maritime Commander Mr. Talafou Esekia
E-mail Address: talaloii@yahoo.com.au
Telephone: +688 20187 Fax: +688 20148

Key contact for communications: Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Communications, Fisheries, and Transport
Surveillance Officer Mr. Laitailiu Seono
Private Mailbag, Teone, Funafuti, Tuvalu,
Phone +688 20143, Fax +688 20151, Email: laitailiu_seono@yahoo.com
Authorities for Inspectors
In accordance with Article 26(1) of the WCPFC Convention and paragraph 13(b) of CMM 2006-08, Tuvalu wishes to provide the following details of Inspectors assigned for the conduct of High Seas Boarding and Inspection in the Convention Area.

a. Tuvalu wishes to inform the WCPFC Secretariat that the Authority responsible for boarding in inspection is: Tuvalu Police Service, National Coordination Centre, Vaiaku, Funafuti, Tuvalu
Ph: +688 20148, Fax: +688 20147, Commanding Officer Mr. Seleganiu Fusi;
Email: selefusi2@yahoo.com.au

b. An example of the identification card that the Inspectors from Tuvalu are carrying to certify that they are appropriately designated inspections for the WCPFC High Seas Inspection and Boarding operations is attached to this letter.

c. Tuvalu wishes to note that the Authorities highlighted in paragraph (a) are fully familiar with the fishing activities to be inspected and the provisions of the Convention and conservation and management measures in force.

d. Tuvalu wishes to notify that the inspectors of the above stated Authority have received and completed training in carrying out boarding and inspections activities at sea in accordance with the standards and procedures adopted by the Commission in accordance with the Convention Para 26 and Annex III, Para 6 as well as CMM 2006-08.

MCS Entity and Personnel For the Receipt of Non Public Domain Data and Information and VMS Client Activation
In accordance with paragraph 20 of the Rules and Procedures for the Protection, Access to, and Dissemination of Data Compiled by the Commission of 2007 and paragraph 11 of the Rules and Procedures for the Protection, Access to, and Dissemination of High Seas Non-Public Domain Data and Information Compiled by the Commission for the Purpose of Monitoring, Control or Surveillance (MCS) Activities and the Access to and Dissemination of High Seas VMS Data for Scientific Purposes of 2009, Tuvalu wishes to notify the Secretariat that Tuvalu, Ministry of Home Affairs will be the MCS Entity authorised to receive high seas non-public domain data and VMS information in accordance with the Rules and Procedures.

Further, the Tuvalu Police Service will be the Authorized MCS Personnel for the purposes of the Rules and Procedures.

The contact details for the, Ministry of Home Affairs;
Maritime Commander Mr. Talafou Esekia, E-mail Address: talaloi@yahoo.com.au
Telephone: +688 20156 Fax: +688 20148 and;
Maritime Surveillance Advisor LCDR Brendan Mcharg Email: tuvalumsa@yahoo.com.au
Telephone: +688 20148 Fax: +688 20148

As these individuals will be provided special coded access to the WCPFC Secure side of the web, as well as being the individual who will have authority to request and receive VMS data in accordance with the Rules and Procedures, with special attention to data security requirements.

Tuvalu notes that it shall provide appropriate data security measures equivalent or more stringent to those required by the Commission to ensure the security of this data.

Yours sincerely,

Samasoni Finikaso
Director