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To: Ms. Rhea Moss Christian
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Federated States of Micronesia

Re: Request by the Government of Viet Nam to renew CNM status for 2026

Dear Ms. Rhea Moss Christian,

On behalf of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, I would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to the members of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission for having accepted Viet Nam as a Cooperating Non-Member (CNM) of the Commission consecutively since 2010.

By means of this letter, Viet Nam would like to request the Commission to renew its CNM status for 2026.

Cooperation

The Government of Viet Nam agrees to cooperate fully in the implementation of the Commission's Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs) and will ensure that Vietnamese fishing vessels which are able to operate in the Convention Area comply with the provisions of the Convention and the Commission's CMMs.

High seas boarding and inspection

The Government of Viet Nam accepts high seas boarding and inspection of Vietnamese fishing vessels in accordance with the Commission's procedures on high seas boarding and inspection.

Provision of scientific data and information

The Government of Viet Nam is fully committed to work with the Commission in the context of the ‘Scientific Data to be Provided to the Commission’. Viet Nam has been providing the Commission with its best available data and information on historical and current tuna catches, including Part I and Part II Reports for the recent years.

Financial contribution

The Government of Viet Nam supports the decision taken at WCPFC7, which requests all CNMs to make an annual contribution that is 50% of the amount that would be payable if the CNM would be a member.

Relationships with other RFMOs

Vietnamese fishing vessels have so far not engaged in fishing in the regulatory areas of other regional fisheries management organizations (RFMOs) and neither Viet Nam nor its fishing vessels have ever been identified by any RFMO for having undermined their effectiveness.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Environment of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam would like to express its sincere thanks to the Commission members for consideration of this request to renew Viet Nam’s CNM status. We would also like to reiterate our wish to contribute further to the WCPFC’s efforts in conserving and managing migratory fish stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean.

Thank you very much for your kind cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Phung Duc Tien
Deputy Minister