

## CMM 3.03 Compliance and Monitoring Scheme

### ANNEX II: Provisional template for the Implementation Report on Implementation of the SPRFMO Conservation and Management Measures

Reporting Member/CNCP: VANUATU  
Calendar Year to which this report refers: 2015  
Date report prepared: 22/10/2015

#### **CMM 1.02 Gillnets in the SPRFMO Convention Area ([download](#))**

1. Members shall require that vessels flying their flag prohibit the use of large-scale pelagic driftnets and all deep-water gillnets in the Convention Area.

*Please describe how this requirement has been implemented*

Vanuatu has no gill net vessels

*Have any of your vessels transited the Area while carrying gillnets? YES  NO*   
*(If so, was 36hrs advance notice given YES  NO*   
*did the vessels operate a VMS YES  NO  Partial*   
*were VMS reports submitted YES  NO  Partial  and*  
*were any Gillnets lost overboard YES  NO ?*

*(refer Paras 2a, b, c & d)*

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**CMM 1.04 Vessels presumed to have carried out IUU fishing activities in the SPRFMO Area ([download](#))**

*Did you transmit a list of presumed IUU fishing vessels to the Secretariat? YES  NO*   
*If so, did you inform the relevant flag state before, or at the same time as, transmitting the list? YES  NO*

Vanuatu did not advise of any IUU vessels.

*Were any of your flagged vessels on the draft IUU list? YES  NO*   
*If so, did you notify vessel owners and inform them about the potential consequences? YES  NO*

No vessels on draft IUU list.

*Were any of your flagged vessels on the final IUU list? YES  NO*   
*If so, did you notify the vessel owners and inform them about the consequences of inclusion? Also what measures were taken to eliminate these IUU activities?*

No vessels on IUU list.

*Did you enforce any of the measures described under paragraph 12? YES  NO*   
*If so, please elaborate.*

Not applicable

CMM 2.01 *Trachurus murphyi* (now CMM 3.01) ([download](#))

Do your vessels fish for *T. murphyi* in, or adjacent to, the Convention Area? YES  NO   
 If yes, then please complete the following tables and questions:

**Table 1: CMM 2.01 Effort Management**

Gross Tonnage (GT) Limit	GT of Active fishing vessels	Number of vessels actively fishing for CJM	Number of vessels only engaged in Transshipment(s)
<b>31220</b>	<b>15610</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>

Enter n/a if not applicable.

**Table 2: CMM 2.01 Catch Management**

CJM catch limit	CJM catch limit taking into account any catch transfers	Provisional CJM catch total
<b>21500</b>	<b>21250</b>	<b>21249</b>

**Table 3: CMM 2.01 Data collection and reporting**

Number of Monthly reports provided	VMS implemented and data provided?	List of authorised vessels provided?	Annual report provided to SC?	Observer coverage level
<b>12</b>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>zero</b>

Do you have additional measures that limit the amount of *T. murphyi* available to your vessels to an amount less than that specified in Table 2 above (refer para 8)? YES  NO   
 If so, please elaborate

VMS data – implemented, partial  
 List of authorised vessels – provided  
 Annual report to SC – provided  
 Additional measures for *T. murphyi* - no

Did you conduct any research or stock assessments for *T. murphyi* during this past year and were they submitted to the Scientific Committee? YES  NO

No research or stock assessment

Did any of your vessels land or tranship *T. murphyi* within your ports and did you take measures to verify those catches? YES  NO

Is any part of your national jurisdiction area adjacent to the Area to which CMM 2.01 applies? YES  NO

If so, have you decided to apply the measures described in Para 11 -22 within your national jurisdiction areas? YES  NO  Partial

Also, have you submitted measures in effect for *T. murphyi* within your national jurisdiction areas to the Secretariat? YES  NO

No vessels landed or transhipped *T. murphyi* in Vanuatu.  
 National jurisdiction waters are adjacent to SPRFMO area  
 Application of measures inside national waters – not applicable  
 Measures for *T. murphyi* inside national waters – not applicable

**CMM 2.02 Standards for the Collection, Reporting, Verification and Exchange of Data (now CMM 3.02) ([download](#))**

**Table 4: Participation in SPRFMO fisheries during the past year**

<i>Fishing method</i>	<i>Activities undertaken?</i>	<i>Main species?</i>	<i>Number of vessels</i>	<i>Activities observed?</i>
<i>Demersal Drop/dahn line</i>				
<i>Demersal Longline</i>				
<i>Demersal Potting</i>				
<i>Demersal Trawl</i>				
<i>Pelagic Purse seine</i>				
<i>Pelagic Trawl</i>				
<i>Squid jigging</i>				
<i>Transshipment</i>				

Were you able to meet the data collection requirements described in paragraphs 1(b) (c) and (d)? (Being information on fishing activity, non-target species impacts and transshipments/landings) YES  NO  Partial

Partial – no observers in 2015 following cyclone Pam destruction in Vanuatu.

Do you have a national observer programme YES  NO , and if so have you submitted an annual observer implementation report to the Secretariat? YES  NO

Note this section could be expanded to include the observer implementation report.

There is a national observer program, but no coverage of SPRFMO activity in 2015. No observer implementation report submitted.

Have you implemented systems to ensure that all of your vessels that fish in the Convention Area have an operational VMS system (that conforms to the requirements in Paras 3(b) and 3(c)? YES  NO

All Vanuatu vessels have VMS.

Please describe the systems you use to verify your SPRFMO fishery data.

Cross checking of logbook and transshipments data. Also, check consistency with observer data (if observer present).

**CMM 2.03 Bottom fishing in the SPRFMO Convention Area**  
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Do you fish in the Convention Area using bottom fishing methods? YES  NO

If yes, then please complete the following tables and questions:

**Table 5: Management of Bottom Fishing and Fisheries**

Bottom fishing assessment submitted?	2002-06 Bottom fishing footprint submitted?	Bottom fishing restricted to footprint?	2002-06 average annual catch (t)	Provisional catch total for last year (t)	Observer coverage level (Trawl)	Observer coverage level (other)	Number of VME encounters above the threshold	Number of monthly reports provided
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>						

Have you prohibited your vessels from participating in bottom fishing activities in the Convention Area, except when in accordance with this measure? YES  NO

Have you established threshold levels for VME encounters? YES  NO   
 If so what are they?

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Also, do you require your vessels to cease fishing operations within 5 miles of any site where threshold levels are exceeded? YES  NO

Have you divided your footprint into sub-areas for the purposes of preventing significant adverse impacts to VMES? YES  NO . If so, please elaborate.

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Do you have additional measures that apply to your bottom fishing vessels in the Convention Area? YES  NO . If so, please elaborate.

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Have you identified any sites within the Convention Area where VMEs are likely to occur? YES  NO

If so have you provided this information to the Secretariat? YES  NO

Have you taken steps to ensure that your bottom fishing vessels are able to comply with all of the requirements detailed in paragraph 24? YES  NO

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Are you aware of any non-member (or non- CNCP) that has recently bottom fished in the Convention Area? YES  NO .

And if so, did you communicate a request to them to cooperate and to consider participating in the work of SPRFMO as a matter of priority? YES  NO

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**CMM 2.04 Minimising bycatch of seabirds in the SPRFMO Convention Area ([download](#))**

Are your vessels required to implement appropriate seabird mitigation measures while fishing in the Convention Area? YES  NO

Do you have any vessels which are exempt from applying seabird mitigation measures? YES  NO  . And if so, when was the last time these vessels were reviewed?

In 2016, Vanuatu vessels will deploy “bird baffler” systems.

Do you require your observers to record seabird interactions? YES  NO   
If so, are the records in accordance with CMM 2.02 and is the resulting data reported to the Secretariat? YES  NO

In 2016 observers will be required to record seabird interactions.

**Table 6: Seabird mitigation measures in Demersal Longline**

Biological discharge during shooting/hauling prohibited?	List of Seabird mitigation measures used in SPRFMO Area	Observer coverage level <sup>1</sup>	Number of Seabird captures	Approximate seabird mortality rate (per 1000 hooks observed)
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>			

**Table 7: Seabird mitigation measures in Trawl Fisheries**

Number of vessels that do not discharge Biological material	Number of vessels discharging Biological material	List of Seabird mitigation measures used in SPRFMO Area	Observer coverage level <sup>2</sup>	Number of Seabird captures	Approximate seabird mortality rate (per tow observed)
2		bird bafflers	0%	0	zero

<sup>1</sup> Provided as a percentage of number of hooks

<sup>2</sup> Provided as percentage of number of tows

**CMM 2.05 Commission record of Vessels authorised to fish in the Convention Area ([download](#))**

*Describe how you take into account the vessel and operator compliance history when considering whether or not to authorise a particular fishing vessel.*

Vanuatu policy is to not licence any additional fishing vessels for the SPRFMO area.

*Describe the measures you have taken to ensure that you are able to take effective enforcement actions against the owners of vessels flying your flag should the need arise.*

Vanuatu maintains regular contact with the fishing company that operates the two Vanuatu flag trawlers.

*Do you maintain your own register of fishing vessels for the SPRFMO Area and does it contain all the necessary information (as described in Annex 1 of the measure)?*

YES  NO

**Table 8: Vessel data submission summary**

<i>Number of vessels authorised to fish in the SPRMO Area</i>	<i>Number of new authorisations within past year</i>	<i>Number of revoked authorisations within past year</i>	<i>Authorisation details submitted to Secretariat?</i>	<i>Number of Active fishing vessels*</i>	<i>Number of vessels only engaged in Transshipment(s)*</i>
5	0	0	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	2	3

\* These numbers may be equal to or larger than the figures provided in Table 1.

**CMM 2.06 VMS in the SPRFMO Convention Area ([download](#))**

At this time, this CMM does not have readily measurable implementation requirements.

**CMM 2.07 Minimum Standards of inspection in Port ([download](#))**

Are your have ports able, or expected, to receive SPRFMO-managed species? **YES**  **NO**

If so please complete the following table and questions.

**Table 9: Implementation of Port Standards**

<i>Point of Contact transmitted to Secretariat?</i>	<i>Designated port list provided to Secretariat?</i>	<i>Number of foreign fishing vessels seeking to use port services</i>	<i>Number of foreign fishing vessels denied entry</i>	<i>Number of inspections</i>	<i>Percentage of foreign landings /transhipments inspected</i>
<b>YES</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>NO</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>YES</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>NO</b> <input type="checkbox"/>				

*Do you have sufficient capacity to conduct inspections in every designated port?*

**YES**  **NO**

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*Do you require foreign fishing vessels to provide the information prior to any landing or port transhipment? YES  NO  If so, does that information comply with paragraph 11?*

**YES**  **NO**

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*Is the notification period for a foreign fishing vessels port request different than 48 hours?*

**YES**  **NO**  . If so, please elaborate.

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*Did you receive any requests from other Members, CNCs or relevant RFMOs to inspect particular vessels? YES  NO  . If so, please elaborate.*

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*Did you encounter any difficulties with the inspection procedures described in paragraphs 17-21? YES  NO  . If so, please elaborate.*

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*Did any of your inspections discover evidence that a SPRFMO had occurred? YES  NO  If so, did you encounter any difficulties with the infringements procedures described in paragraphs 22-25? YES  NO*

*Have you provided (or received) any assistance as described under Paragraph 26? (Being the development of capacity, facilitation of participation and assessment of requirements for developing members and CNCs) YES  NO*

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