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Annual Report of the United States to the 5th Scientific Committee Meeting

The United States became a full member of SPRFMO in February 2017. We submit this Annual Report to the 5th Scientific Committee Meeting of SPRFMO.

The United States currently has no vessels participating in the fisheries managed by SPRFMO. The United States had a limited squid jig fishery that may have been operating on the high seas in the Convention Area over 10 years ago, and information regarding this historical fishery has been provided to the Secretariat in the past. As such, the United States has no data or information to provide regarding U.S. fisheries operating under SPRFMO jurisdiction in 2017 or recent years. The United States has a continuing interest in the fisheries managed by SPRFMO and may have vessels that enter these fisheries in the future. If U.S.-flagged vessels enter SPRFMO-managed fisheries, the United States would provide the Commission with all relevant data and information and abide by all relevant measures adopted.