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The United States of America's Annual Report

We submit this Annual Report to the 6th Scientific Committee Meeting of SPRFMO following “Guidelines for Annual Reports to the SPRFMO Scientific Committee” (SC5-Doc7_rev3).

1. OVERALL SUMMARY

The United States currently has no vessels participating in the fisheries managed by SPRFMO. As such, the United States has no data or information to provide regarding U.S. fisheries operating under SPRFMO jurisdiction in 2018. Similarly, the United States has no information to provide regarding 1) catches, effort, and CPUE summaries; 2) fisheries data collection and research activities; 3) biological sampling and length/age composition of catches; 4) ecosystem approach considerations; and 5) observer implementation reports for fishing activities under SPRFMO jurisdiction.

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.