

## 10<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE COMPLIANCE AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (CTC)

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### CTC 10 – Doc12

### Applications for CNCP Status for 2023

*Secretariat*

SPRFMO currently has three active Cooperating non-Contracting Parties (CNCPs):

- Belize
- Curaçao, Kingdom of the Netherlands, and
- The Republic of Liberia

In November 2022, the Secretariat contacted two out of the current three SPRFMO CNCPs, with an invitation to become full Members of the SPRFMO Commission or to renew their current CNCP status (Ref: DC93-2022 and DC94-2022). Belize was not contacted, given they had already submitted a CNCP status renewal application.

The Secretariat therefore received three CNCP status renewal requests and one new CNCP status application, all of which are contained in the annexes to this document as follows:

- Annex 1. Belize, CNCP status application received on 25 October 2022
- Annex 2. Liberia, CNCP status renewal application received on 28 November 2022
- Annex 3. Curaçao, CNCP status renewal application received on 16 December 2022

**As per paragraph 4 of Decision 02-2018 (Rules for CNCPs), the CTC10 is requested to:**

- Assess the three (3) renewal applications for CNCP status.
- Provide recommendations and technical advice to the Commission which considers *inter alia*:
  - a) whether the CNCP application includes all information required under paragraph 3;
  - b) in the case of renewal, the record of compliance of the applicant with the provisions of the Convention and the conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission;
  - c) the applicant's record of responding to any IUU activities by vessels flying its flag that have been brought to its attention, in accordance with Article 27 of the Convention;
  - d) as appropriate, the record of compliance of the applicant with conservation and management measures of other Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs);
  - e) in the case of applications for renewal of CNCP status, whether the applicant is meeting all paragraph 12 requirements for CNCP.