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The present report provides information about Chile's compliance to the SPRFMO conservation and management measures in force. This report is provided according to Article 24.2 of the Convention and paragraph 19 of CMM 2.01.

Conservation and Management Measures adopted by the SPRFMO Commission have been approved in the domestic regulation, through Resolutions (Subpesca) No. 884 of 2013 and 731 of 2014, being therefore mandatory for all Chilean flagged vessels.

### **CMM 1.02, Conservation and Management Measure for Gillnets in the SPRFMO Convention Area**

The use of large-scale pelagic driftnets or deepwater gillnets is prohibited in Chile since 1990.

### **CMM 1.04, Establishing a List of Vessels presumed to have carried out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing activities in the SPRFMO Convention Area**

Chile has provided to the Executive Secretariat documented evidence concerning the presumption of IUU fishing activity in the Convention area conducted by the vessels DAMANZAIHAO, AURORA and BONAIRE TRADER. The submitted information supported the draft listing of the three mentioned fishing vessels.



### **CMM 2.01, Conservation and Management Measure for *Trachurus murphyi***

Chilean vessels actively fishing in the Convention area did not exceed the effort level established in Table 1 of CMM 1.01. Total GT for Chile in the SPRFMO Area during 2014 was 13,997 for 11 fishing vessels: BUCANERO I, DON MANUEL, DON TITO, PANILONCO, PELICANO, QUERELEMA, VICHUQUEN II, DON BORIS, DON JULIO, LONCO, RAPANUI.

Chilean preliminary total catches of *Trachurus murphyi* in the area of application of CMM 2.01 were 271,598 tons.

According to paragraph 9, 4,400 tons were transferred from the European Union to Chile.

All the preliminary monthly catches, along with the information of actively fishing vessels in the Convention area, were submitted to the Executive Secretariat. No Chilean vessel has been involved in transshipment activities. Two monthly reports were submitted beyond the framework of 20 days, without exceeding 2 days beyond. Corrective actions are taken to avoid late submission of required information.

Due to adjustments in the catch reports collected on a monthly basis, the sum of monthly catches slightly differs from the preliminary total observed in 2014, which corresponds to 271,598 tons in the area of application of CMM 2.01. Out of the preliminary total, 267,615 tons were caught in the Chilean EEZ and 3,983 tons in the SPRFMO Area. The level of consumption of the Chilean catch limit reached 92%.

All required information in paragraph 13 was timely submitted to the Executive Secretariat, according to CMM 2.02 and using the relevant templates.

Implementation of VMS for Chilean fishing vessels, including all the requirements of CMM 2.02, is regulated through Decree No. 198 of 1998 and its modifications. The submission of VMS information of vessels actively fishing in the SPRFMO Area was timely delivered, according to CMM 2.02 and using the relevant templates.

The list and relevant information of authorized fishing vessel have been provided, as required in paragraph 16 and according to CMM 2.05.



The Chilean Annual Report for the Scientific Committee was timely submitted to the Executive Secretariat, according to the guidelines for such report. The document is available at the SPRFMO website (SC-02-15). Several documents and related information in respect of *Trachurus murphyi* fishery were submitted for review to the Scientific Committee.

During 2014, the coverage of scientific observation on board was 13.2% all over the area of application of CMM 1.01. Additionally, 21.1% of the trips were observed on port during landings. The data was collected and reported according to SPRFMO Data Standards.

Conservation and management measures in effect for *Trachurus murphyi* in the Chilean EEZ include:

- Minimum Size: In force since 1980, through Decree (Minecon) No. 458 of 1981 and Decree (Minecon) No. 34 of 1983
- Suspended Access to the fishery: In force since 1991, through General Law of Fisheries and Aquaculture No. 18.892 and No. 20.657
- Catch Global Quota: Adopted annually since 1999. 2014 *Trachurus murphyi* quota was adopted through Decree (Minecon) No. 1413 of 2013 and amended through Decree (Minecon) No. 172 of 2014.
- Maximum Catch Limits per Shipowner: In force since 2001, through General Law of Fisheries and Aquaculture No. 19.713
- Individual Transferable Quota (ITQ): In force since 2013, through General Law of Fisheries and Aquaculture No. 20.657.

### **CMM 2.02, Standards for the Collection, Reporting, Verification and Exchange of Data**

All information required in CMM 2.01 and applicable to the Chilean fleet operation in the Convention area was submitted within the timeframes and using the relevant templates:

- 2013 Fishing activity data
- 2013 Landing data
- 2013 Observer data
- 2013 Annual catch data

Chile has implemented a vessel monitoring system on all its fishing vessels larger than 18 m, being this system consistent with the requirements established in this CMM.

National Annual Report and observer data were provided to the 2014 Scientific Committee.



### **CMM 2.03, Management of Bottom fishing in the SPRFMO Convention Area**

This CMM is not applicable to Chile, given that no Chilean fishing vessel has undertaken bottom fishing in the Convention area during 2014.

### **CMM 2.04, Minimizing bycatch of seabirds in the SPRFMO Convention Area**

Decree (Minecon) 136 of 2008 approved the Chilean National Plan of Action for Reducing Incidental Catch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries. All Chilean longline vessels operating either in the EEZ or in the high seas shall use the mitigation measures to avoid bycatch of seabirds.

No trawling fishing activities has been undertaken by Chilean vessels during 2014 in the Convention area.

### **CMM 2.05, Establishment of the Commission record of Vessels authorized to fish in the Convention Area**

Chile has provided a list of vessels authorized to fish in the Convention area according to the timeframes established in CMM 2.05. Updates of this list have been properly informed to the Executive Secretariat.

### **CMM 2.06, Establishment of the Vessel Monitoring System in the SPRFMO Convention Area**

All Chilean vessels larger than 18 m have to implement a vessel monitoring system, as indicated by Decree No. 198 of 1998 and its modifications. Once this measure is implemented, all Chilean vessels authorized to fish in the Convention area will be able to communicate at near real time to the SPRFMO VMS Centre.

### **CMM 2.07, Minimum Standards of inspection in Port**

Chilean regulation Decree No. 123 of 2004 indicates that all foreign flagged vessels that enter into domestic port shall be inspected. During 2014, 13 foreign flagged fishing vessels operating over *Trachurus murphyi* entered into Chilean port. Three of the inspection reports were translated and submitted to the Executive Secretariat.