

VALPARAISO, 6 January 2010.

Mr. Robin Allen
Executive Secretary
SPRFMO Interim Secretariat

Dear Mr. Allen,

On behalf of the Undersecretariat for Fisheries and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile, I would like to express our appreciation for your letter of 2 January 2010 (ref: 2010-0001), providing information with regards to the implementation of revised pelagic Interim Measures, specifically about gross tonnage of vessels that have been actively fishing for *Trachurus* species in 2009.

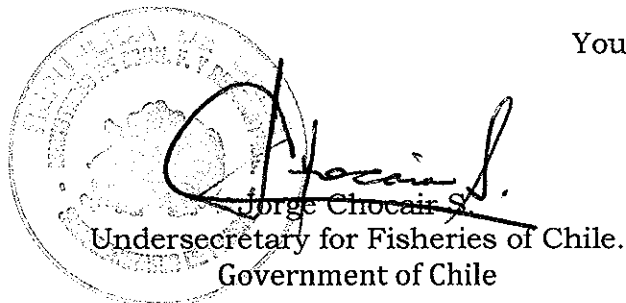
In accordance with paragraph 6 and 7 of revised pelagic Interim Measures, "*participants are to limit the gross tonnage and will verify the effective presence of their vessels referred to in paragraph 6 through VMS records and catch reports*". As shown in the table of your letter, this information has not yet been reported to the Interim Secretariat.

Chile would like to stress that according to the revised Interim Measures both VMS records and catches reports, are required to be submitted to the Interim Secretariat for verification of the effective presence of vessels in the area in 2009.

I would appreciate if you could make the necessary arrangements in order to collect this information from the relevant participants and distribute it among all participants.

May I request that you please circulate this letter to the Heads of Delegations, and have it published in the SPRFMO website as well.

Yours sincerely,



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