

Proposed South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation

Preliminary template for compilation of historical catch and effort data

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Participants are to collate pre-2007 data on fishing activities in the Area and provide these to the interim Secretariat of the proposed SPRFMO by 30th September 2007 in sufficient detail to facilitate effective stock assessment. The fields of data to be provided are as follows:

Standard for historical trawl fishing activity data in the proposed

Convention Area

| As a minimum | Preferably | If practical |
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| Number of vessels fishing | Vessel call sign | The fields described in Annex 1 of the <i>SPRFMO Standards for the collection, reporting, verification and exchange of data</i> (25 April 2007) |
| Calendar year | Calendar year and Month | |
| FAO statistical area | 5 degree by 5 degree grid; separating inside areas of national jurisdiction and high seas | |
| Catch retained by species in live weight | Catch by species by above strata in live weight | |
| Total vessel days fished, if available | Number of bottom trawls made in month; number of mid-water trawls made in month | |

Standard for historical purse seine fishing activity data in the proposed

Convention Area

| As a minimum | Preferably | If practical |
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| Number of vessels fishing | Vessel call sign | The fields described in Annex 2 of the <i>SPRFMO Standards for the collection, reporting, verification and exchange of data</i> (25 April 2007) |
| Calendar year | Calendar year and Month | |
| FAO statistical area | 5 degree by 5 degree grid; separating inside areas of national jurisdiction and high seas | |
| Catch retained by species in live weight | Catch by species by above strata in live weight | |
| Total vessel days fished, if available | Number of purses set in month | |

Standard for historical bottom long lining fishing activity data in the proposed Convention Area

| As a minimum | Preferably | If practical |
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| Number of vessels fishing | Vessel call sign | The fields described in Annex 3 of the <i>SPRFMO Standards for the collection, reporting, verification and exchange of data (25 April 2007)</i> |
| Calendar year | Calendar year and Month | |
| FAO statistical area | 5 degree by 5 degree grid; separating inside areas of national jurisdiction and high seas | |
| Catch retained by species in live weight | Catch by species by above strata in live weight | |
| Total vessel days fished, if available | Number of hooks deployed in month | |

Data will be provided in accordance with the specifications and format described in annex 5 of the *SPRFMO Standards for the collection, reporting, verification and exchange of data (25 April 2007)*.

Historic data submissions should be accompanied by metadata describing the data sources for each data set and providing some information on the precision and reliability of each data set.