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Ms. Rhea Moss-Christian Executive Director Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission P.O. Box 2356 Kolonia Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia

Dear ED Moss-Christian:

The United States enacted legislation found at 16 USC 7401 et seq., to implement the PSMA in 2015. Accordingly, it has designated all of its ports for the purposes of Conservation and Management Measure (CMM) 2017-02 paragraph 6, subject to existing requirements under U.S. law regarding entry into and use of U.S. ports. Existing U.S. law restricts activities in U.S. ports and these restrictions are unaffected by CMM 2017-02 or its successor CMMs.

Sincerely,

Jason Philibotte Chief, International Fisheries Division

cc: Rachel Ryan, U.S. Department of State

