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**FFA members paper on areas of assistance for SIDS**

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**Paper by FFA Members**

**REV.1 of FFA DELEGATION PAPER ON SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES**

<b>SIDS NEED</b>	<b>STATUS (√= met and X = not met)</b>
<b>General areas of assistance</b>	
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(iii) agreeing a Target Reference Point for skipjack tuna to ensure its effective management and sustainable use;	X - to be considered at WCPFC11 – PNA and Tokelau proposal in DP12
(iv) ensuring in the management of the fisheries for South pacific albacore that CCMs contribute to increasing the participation of SIDS in the WCPO tuna fisheries;	X – to be considered at WCPFC – FFA Proposal in DP05
(v) ensuring that priority for ROP funding be given to the national observer programmes of SIDS, including assistance with implementing the longline coverage requirements;	X
(vi) ensure resourcing is provided to build the capacity of Small Island Developing States in developing port monitoring and port sampling programs;	X
(vii) building the capacity of SIDS’ nationals to develop and implement the IMS at a national level, including to implement E-HSP reporting and transshipment reporting;	Ongoing
(viii) reporting on sharks;	√ – revised logsheets in place
(vii) development of FAD management plans;	X
(viii) development of Seabird NPOAs and Shark NPOAs;	X
(ix) assistance to train national VMS MTU inspectors/audits;	X
(ix) providing a budget for the participation of chairs of subsidiary bodies who are SIDS nationals to the annual Commission meetings to assist them in fulfilling their roles effectively;	X
(x) ensuring a rationalisation of Commission workloads, including a prioritisation of issues and streamlining agendas.	X
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	adequately resourced such as the tuna data workshops, regional observer coordinator workshop (proposed budget 130,000)	
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## REV.2 of FFA DELEGATION PAPER ON SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES

This delegation paper is put forward by FFA Members to assist developed CCMs to implement Article 30 of the Convention and CMM 2013-07.

We propose the following draft recommendations to capture the interventions made on the floor by FFA Members.

1. FFA Members stated their great appreciation for the reports of assistance provided by some developed CCMs.
2. In addition, FFA Members proposed an approach that would allow such reports to be more targeted to specific SIDS needs in tuna fisheries, through the following:
  - (i) SIDS continue to articulate our special requirements and set this out in a Delegation Paper;
  - (ii) such DP/checklist can be placed before the SC and TCC meetings and any updates included before it is placed before the Commission meeting;
  - (iii) the FFA-SIDS DP could be used as a checklist at each meeting to assess what specific needs have been met;
  - (iv) the list could be updated by FFA Members, as required, where such needs are met or as more specific needs are set out arising from the annual ever-increasing Commission obligations. Hence, the DP is to be treated as a living document.
3. WCPFC11 noted the attached checklist provided by FFA members setting out an evaluation of SIDS special requirements and the respective status of assistance, and agreed to this approach to use this as a checklist to assist developed CCMs to assess the status of assistance to SIDS.
4. Based on a suggestion from FFA Members, WCPFC11 tasked the WCPFC Secretariat to put together a reporting template for paragraph 19 of CMM 2013-07, which incorporates the various categories in that measure. It was noted that this will facilitate the analysis of the types of assistance provided by developed CCMs to implement CMM 2013-07 as a whole, and highlight any gaps in such assistance.

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