

**TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS,
PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES AND OBSERVERS**

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Review of Compliance Monitoring Scheme: Questionnaire

Dear All,

As advised earlier per Circular 2017/25, the following people were appointed members of the Independent Panel for the Review:

- a) Mr Andrew Wright;
- b) Mr Christopher Rogers; and
- c) Mr Don MacKay (Chair)

Enclosed is a letter from the Panel providing an update on their work to date, and that includes a questionnaire to request input from CCMs and other representatives. The Panel has requested that completed questionnaires are submitted by **Tuesday 1 August 2017**. The dedicated email address to receive the completed questionnaires is: **cmsreview2017@wcpfc.int**

Any questions about the CMS Review Panel process can be sent to me by email to feleti.teo@wcpfc.int

Yours sincerely,



**Feleti Penitala Teo, OBE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

9 June 2017

Dear Colleagues,

Review of the Compliance Monitoring Scheme: Questionnaire

You will recall the correspondence from the Executive Director regarding the Review of the Compliance Monitoring Scheme which was approved by the Commission at WCPFC13. The Executive Director also advised, in his circular of 5 April, that he had appointed us as the members of the Review Panel, in accordance with the procedures that had been agreed.

We very much look forward to working with you on this important Review.

The key to a successful review process and outcome will be the Panel's ability to engage comprehensively with CCMs, so as to ensure that the Panel is fully apprised of the views of CCMs, any concerns they may have regarding the CMS, and their suggestions for improvement. The Panel is of course specifically tasked under the Methodology Section of the Terms of Reference to seek the views of CCMs, and as noted we are fully aware that this will be key to a successful outcome.

At this stage we are undertaking preparatory work regarding the Review, and we are planning to have an initial preparatory meeting of the Panel for internal planning purposes beginning on 6 August.

To assist us with this, we have developed a questionnaire for CCMs, with the objective of obtaining an initial understanding of the views of CCMs, and to assist our initial discussions at our meeting in August. This information will of course be enhanced by discussions which we will have subsequently with CCMs, including in the margins of the TCC, and in the course of the in-country consultation prescribed in the Methodology Section.

It would therefore assist us greatly if colleagues would kindly take the time to complete the attached questionnaire, and return it by the due date of 1 August, so as to facilitate our discussions when we initially meet as a Panel in early August. Please do not hesitate to provide any comments or information additional to the specific issues raised in the questionnaire, as all feedback will be appreciated.

Your response would be much appreciated.

Kind regards

Don MacKay, Andrew Wright, Christopher Rogers