

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

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**Letter from Cook Islands Submitting Additional Information Regarding a Vessel on
the draft IUU Vessel List for 2018**

Dear All,

The Secretariat received the enclosed letter from the Cook Islands regarding China-flagged vessel Sui Yuan Yu 30 (IRCS: BZWA32). The letter submits additional information regarding this vessels inclusion on the draft IUU vessel list for 2018 (refer to Circular 2017-54).

The enclosed letter is circulated to all CCMs in accordance with CMM 2010-06 paragraph 11.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Mr Teo,

Re: WITHDRAWAL OF PROVISIONAL BLACKLISTING – CMM 2010-06 - Sui Yuan Yu 30 (IRCS BZWA32)

1. I write to you in my capacity as the Secretary of the Cook Islands Ministry of Marine Resources and in reference to the letter dated 17th July 2017, reference 17.07.147.
2. The matter concerned a foreign flagged fishing long line vessel, namely **Sui Yuan Yu 30 - IRCS BZWA32** (the “vessel”) which was detected to have conducted illegal fishing in our waters. This vessel is flagged to the People’s Republic of China.
3. The Cook Islands requested the Commission for the vessel to be placed on the Commission’s provisional IUU Vessel List, pursuant to paragraph 4 of the Commission’s *CMM-2010-06 Conservation and Management Measure to Establish a List of Vessels Presumed to have carried out Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing Activities in the WCPO*.
4. Subsequently, I am pleased to inform you that the Cook Islands has resolved the matter of illegal fishing by the vessel through amicable settlement terms. The Cook Islands wishes to thank the company representatives and Government of the People’s Republic of China for their cooperation in bringing this matter to completion.
5. The Settlement Agreement is attached to this letter.
6. Therefore I request that the provisional listing of the vessel be withdrawn forthright. By way of this letter, I also wish to inform the Flag State of our withdrawal notice.

Yours sincerely



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Secretary of Marine Resources

Cc: David James, Solicitor General, Crown Law Office, Rarotonga
Wan Chen, WCPFC Delegate for the Government of the People's Republic of China