



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

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Letter from Chair of IWG- Sharks

Dear All,

As requested I forward a letter from the Chair of the Intersessional Working Group on Sharks; Mr Shingo Ota requesting further comments if any on the draft CMM on Sharks that was discussed at the TCC15 meeting. Comments on the said draft CMM may be submitted directly to the Chair at shingo_ota810@maff.go.jp.

Yours sincerely,



**Feleti Penitala Teo, OBE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

November 5, 2019

Mr. Feleti Teo
Executive Director
WCPFC Secretariat

Dear Mr. Teo:

I noted that TCC15 discussed the Draft CMM for Shark and Ray and encouraged CCMs to submit comments to me before WCPFC16. I have already received comments from EU and Australia.

Since TCC15 did not specify the deadline for comments and therefore I may receive additional comments, it is difficult for me to start producing a new draft CMM. Accordingly, I would like to suggest November 8, Friday as the deadline for comments. If CCMs would like to have more time, they should indicate so as soon as possible.

I would appreciate it if you could circulate this letter among all CCMs and observers.

Sincerely,



Shingo OTA
Chair of the IWG-Sharks