

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

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Chair of ERandEMWG

Dear All,

As you may recall, at the 18th regular session of the WCPFC, the Commission endorsed Australia's continued chairing of the E-recording and E-monitoring Working Group (ERandEMWG) and that Australia will advise of the person to take on that role once identified.

I am pleased to advise that Australia has in the enclosed letter nominated Ms Claire van der Geest of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority to chair the ERandEMWG.

Those that are interested in participating in the ERandEMWG to please contact Ms Claire van der Geest at claire.vandergeest@afma.gov.au by **Friday 18 February 2022**.

Yours sincerely,



**Feleti Penitala Teo, OBE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



Australian Government
**Department of Agriculture,
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Mr Feleti Teo
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Dear Mr Teo

As you are aware, the 18th session of the Commission endorsed Australia's continued chairing of the ERandEMWG, noting that Australia would identify the person as soon as practicable. Australia is pleased to continue to lead this important work on behalf of Members.

Australia has identified and is nominating Ms Claire van der Geest of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) to Chair the ERandEMWG. Ms van der Geest is well placed to lead the ERandEMWG through her role as General Manager of the Fisheries Information and Services Branch of AFMA, which oversees Australia's electronic monitoring program.

We request that the WCPFC Secretariat invite members who are interested in participating in the ERandEMWG to contact Ms van der Geest at claire.vandergeest@afma.gov.au by 18 February 2022. Ms van der Geest will respond to interested members and map out a workplan for 2022 ERandEMWG work once responses have been received.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E. Campbell".

Emma Campbell

Australian Head of Delegation to the WCPFC