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Mr. Glenn Hurry Chairman Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission PO Box 2356 Kolonia Pohnpei State, 96941 FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

Dear Chairman Hurry:

With reference to the e-mail circulated by the Secretariat to all WCPFC members on 17 September 2008, in which it attached a letter dated 12 September 2008 from Mr. Matthew Hooper of the New Zealand Ministry of Fisheries to Mr. Andrew Wright, Executive Director of the WCPFC, informing, among other things, that the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade notified the Commission on 1 August 2008 that, pursuant to paragraph 6 of CMM 2006-08, New Zealand shall apply the WCPFC High Seas Boarding and Inspection Procedures in their entirety as between New Zealand and a Fishing Entity.

In reply, I have the honor to state the following:

- 1. In accordance with the WCPFC High Seas Boarding and Inspection Procedures as well as the said correspondence, LGL/FISH/WCPFC, from the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade dated 1 August 2008, the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures have applied in their entirety as between New Zealand and Chinese Taipei.
- 2. The said letter of 12 September 2008 from New Zealand states that New Zealand has also advised Chinese Taipei of this notification. I wish to inform you that my Government has not been advised of this notification. Nonetheless, my Government, once being informed by the Secretariat through the e-mail on 17 September 2008, has taken immediate actions to notify the fisheries industry through domestic measures to that effect, ensuring that all Taiwanese flagged fishing vessels operating in the WCPFC convention area will conform to the



WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures on the high seas vis-à-vis New Zealand.

- 3. Likewise, my Government has provided details of Chinese Taipei inspection vessels, together with crews and qualified inspectors on board, for inclusion on the WCPFC High Seas Boarding and Inspection Register and is ready to exercise boarding and inspection on the high seas vis-à-vis New Zealand.
- 4. Also in response to the letter of 12 September 2008 from New Zealand, the following are details of point of contact from Chinese Taipei:

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