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Ambassador Satya N. Nandan
Chairman
PO Box 2356
Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission
Kolonias, Pohnpei State, 96941
Federated States of Micronesia

Dear Mr. Chairman:

With reference to the e-mail circulated by the Secretariat to all WCPFC members on 12 August 2009, in which it attached a letter dated 10 August 2009 from Mr. William Gibbons-Fly, Director of Office of Marine Conservation, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs of the United States Department of State, informing, *inter alia*, that the United States has notified the Commission of the intention of the United States to apply the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures (CMM 2006-08) in their entirety as between the United States and Chinese Taipei on a reciprocal basis.

In this regard, 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 from the United States dated 10 August 2009, the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures shall become effective as between the United States and Chinese Taipei 60 days from the date of the correspondence.
2. Chinese Taipei also wishes to emphasize that absent a notification by a Contracting Party of its intent to apply the WCPFC Boarding and Inspection Procedures in its entirety as between that Contracting Party and a Fishing Entity on a reciprocal basis, the Procedures are not in effect as between the Contracting Party and the Fishing Entity.



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3. In response to the said correspondence from the United States, details of the point of contact from Chinese Taipei are as follows:

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4. Likewise, my Government has provided details of our inspection vessels, together with crew 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 the United States on a reciprocal basis starting from 9 October 2009.

Sincerely,

James Sha
Director-General

C.C. Mr. William Gibbons-Fly,
Director, Office of Marine Conservation, Bureau of Oceans and
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