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Dear Professor Hurry

In accordance with Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission Boarding and Inspection Procedures, Conservation and Management Measure 2006-08, Australia wishes to notify the Commission of amendments to Australia's list of authorised inspection vessels.

Removal of the following vessels from the authorised inspection vessel list:

Vessel Name	Vessel Flag	International radio call sign	Registration No.
ACV Corio Bay	Australia	VNW4389	9193135
ACV Hervey Bay	Australia	VNW4390	9193123

The addition of the following vessels:

Vessel Name	Vessel Flag	International radio call sign	Registration No.
ACV Cape St George	Australia	VHIL	9665774
ACV Cape Byron	Australia	VHCZ	9684562

Australia understands that it is bound not to conduct high seas boarding and inspections with these additional vessels pursuant to CMM 2006-08 until after the expiry of the 60 day period following the circulation to members, by the Commission, of the register of the Australian inspection vessels.

Australia kindly requests Australia's authorised inspection vessel information to be updated, by replacing the previous submissions with the attached list (Attachment A) and photographs of the authorised inspection vessels (Attachment B).

Pursuant to paragraph 13(a) of the CMM 2006-08, please be advised that:

- listed in Attachment A are the details of the vessels Australia assigns to boarding and inspection activities under CMM 2006-08
- these inspection vessels are clearly marked and identifiable as being on Australian Government services (refer to photographs in Attachment B)
- any of the inspection vessels' crew members undertaking high seas boarding and inspection activities in the Convention Area will have completed training in carrying out boarding and inspection activities at seas in accordance with the requirements of CMM 2006-08.

Please note that, consistent with the requirement in paragraph 13(b) of CMM 2006-08, Australia notified the Commission on the 14 January 2010 that the Australia Fisheries Management Authority (AFMA) is responsible for high seas boarding and inspection. All authorised inspectors conducting high seas boarding and inspections are fully familiar with the fishing activities to be inspected, the provisions of the WCPFC Convention and CMMs in force, and have received training consistent with the procedures set out in CMM 2006-08.

Pursuant to paragraph 18 of the CMM 2006-08, the inspection vessels shall fly, in a clearly visible fashion, the WCPFC inspection flag while undertaking any high seas boarding and inspection activities in the WCPFC Area.

As previously notified, AFMA is the Australian authority to contact regarding the high seas boarding of Australian-flagged fishing vessels or inspections by Australian-flagged inspection vessels. Commission members may contact the AFMA Duty Officer on Ph: +61 419 205 329, Fax: +61 2 6275 6275 or email: foreignsurveillanceresponse@afma.gov.au.

Authorities of the authorised inspectors using this point of contact should provide the name and call-sign of the vessel being inspected, the inspecting authority, nature of the incident (if applicable), contact person and a means of making contact with that person (such as a phone number or e-mail address) so the AFMA duty officer can respond to the notification as soon as possible.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this submission.

Yours sincerely



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WCPFC HIGH SEAS BOARDING AND INSPECTION REGISTER

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DETAILS OF VESSELS (AS DEPICTED IN THE ATTACHED PHOTOGRAPHS)

Vessel

	Vessel Name	Vessel Flag	International radio call sign:	Registration No.	Port of Registry	Port Marked on Vessel's Hull (if different than Port of Registry)
1	ACV Arnhem Bay	Australia	VHA2363	9193147	Australia	None
2	ACV Botany Bay	Australia	VHA2333	9193111	Australia	None
3	ACV Dame Roma Mitchell	Australia	VHA2364	9193159	Australia	None
4	ACV Holdfast Bay	Australia	VHA2334	9193109	Australia	None
5	ACV Roebuck Bay	Australia	VNZJ	9193094	Australia	None
6	ACV Storm Bay	Australia	VHA2365	9193161	Australia	None
7	ACV Ocean Protector	Australia	VHDM	9126584	Fremantle	None
8	ACV Triton	Australia	VNPA	4906551	Darwin	None
9	Nemesis	Australia	VJN3285	22786	Sydney	
10	ACV Cape St George	Australia	VHIL	9665774	Nil	Nil
11	ACV Cape Byron	Australia	VHCZ	9684562	Nil	Nil

Vessel Contact Details

	Vessel Name	Phone Number	Fax Number	Inmarsat Mobile Number	Email Address
All	N/A (Contact for all vessels)*	+61 419 205 329	+61 2 6275 6275	+61 419 205 329	foreignsurveillanceresponse@afma.gov.au

*Vessel email, telephone and fax numbers are considered sensitive information not for public release. To request vessel contact information please contact the AFMA Duty Officer on the numbers above.

Vessel Description

	Vessel Name	Vessel Length Length Overall (LOA)	Length specified as metres/feet	Hull Material (Aluminium/Fibreglass/Wood/Steel/Other)
1	ACV Arnhem Bay	38.2	Metres	Aluminium
2	ACV Botany Bay	38.2	Metres	Aluminium

3	ACV Dame Roma Mitchell	38.2	Metres	Aluminium
4	ACV Holdfast Bay	38.2	Metres	Aluminium
5	ACV Roebuck Bay	38.2	Metres	Aluminium
6	ACV Storm Bay	38.2	Metres	Aluminium
7	ACV Ocean Protector	105.9	Metres	Steel
8	ACV Triton	98.7	Metres	Steel
9	Nemesis	32	Metres	Aluminium
10	ACV Cape St George	58.10	Metres	Aluminium
11	ACV Cape Byron	58.10	Metres	Aluminium