



CCSBT-EC/1610/17 (Rev.1)

Confidentiality of Data and Documents

Purpose

To determine whether the reports of any meetings or any documents produced for meetings related to CCSBT 23 should be restricted from public release.

Confidentiality of reports and documents from 2016

Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure provides that the reports prepared of Extended Commission meetings will be made available for public release unless a Member makes a request to restrict its release. Such a request must be made before adoption of the report of the Extended Commission. Restrictions on release of a report require a decision from the Extended Commission.

Documents submitted to Extended Commission meetings are also to be made available for public release unless the document contains previously restricted information, or unless the author of the document or the Member (if the author is a representative of a Member) makes a request to restrict its release. Such a request must be made before adoption of the report of the Extended Commission.

The 2006 Farm and Market review reports have been classified as confidential and consequently other documents that include information derived from these documents must also be kept confidential. For 2016, this comprises:

- A catch table incorporating this information that was prepared by the Secretariat and included in the material considered at the 2016 meeting of the Extended Scientific Committee (ESC). The Secretariat requests that Attachment A of this paper (CCSBT-ESC/1609/04) be treated as confidential.
- Papers CCSBT-ESC/1609/13, CCSBT-CC/1610/BGD 03 and CCSBT-EC/1610/BGD 01 from Australia on a Japan Market Update.
- Paper CCSBT-ESC/1609/BGD 07 from Japan, which explain the characteristic and structure of the Japanese fish market and possible data source relating to the SBT trade in Japan.
- Paper CCSBT-ESC/1609/BGD 08 from Japan, which is an update for 2015 on monitoring of SBT trading in the Japanese Domestic Markets.
- Paper CCSBT-CC/1610/22 from Japan on the monitoring of SBT trading in Japan's domestic markets.

In addition:

- Attachments B, C and D from paper CCSBT-CC/1610/10 are considered to be commercial-in-confidence and should remain confidential; and
- TRAFFIC has requested that its papers for the ESC (CCSBT-ESC/1609/36) and Compliance Committee (CCSBT-CC/1610/20) remain confidential as they are internal drafts and have yet to be cleared through TRAFFIC's internal review procedures.

At the time of writing this paper, no other documents have been nominated to the Secretariat as having a confidential status.

Prepared by the Secretariat