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Confidentiality of Data and Documents

Purpose

To determine whether the reports of any meetings or any documents produced for meetings related to CCSBT 26 should be restricted from public release.

Confidentiality of reports and documents from 2019

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 2019, this comprises:

- A catch table incorporating this information that was prepared by the Secretariat and included in the material considered at the 2019 meeting of the Extended Scientific Committee (ESC). The Secretariat requests that Attachment A of this paper (CCSBT-ESC/1909/04) be treated as confidential.
- Paper CCSBT-ESC/1909/20 from Japan titled “Update of estimation for the unaccounted catch mortality in Australian SBT farming in the 2018 fishing season”.
- Paper CCSBT-ESC/1909/21 from Japan titled “Monitoring of Southern Bluefin Tuna trading in the Japanese domestic markets: 2019 update”.
- Paper CCSBT-ESC/1909/23 from Japan titled “Approach to the verification of reported catch of southern bluefin tuna by all CCSBT member countries using the market and Catch Document Scheme data”.
- Paper CCSBT-ESC/1909/44 from the independent expert on market analysis for a presentation titled “Reconciling Japan market data and catch data for SBT”.
- Paper CCSBT-EC/1910/28 from Australia titled “Japan Market Update and Comments on the 2019 Advice of the CCSBT expert”.

Papers labelled as “BGD” are background papers that have been submitted to previous meetings of the CCSBT. Fifteen “BGD” papers submitted to the Extended Scientific Committee this year have been previously classified as confidential by the Extended Commission and the re-submitted versions of these papers should also be classified as being confidential. These papers are CCSBT- ESC/1909/BGD 08, 17, 21, 23 and 25-35.

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