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# 14. Trade Information Scheme Matters 貿易情報スキームの問題

#### Purpose 目的

To provide an opportunity for the Extended Commission to discuss issues relevant to the operation of the CCSBT Trade Information Scheme (TIS). It is expected that discussion will focus on the draft minimum standards for TIS documents and on other matters that members may raise at the meeting.

拡大委員会のために CCSBT 貿易情報スキーム (TIS)の運用に関する問題について議論するための機会を提供する。TIS ドキュメントのための最低基準案及びその他加盟国から提起される問題について焦点をあて議論されることが望まれる。

## Background

#### 背景

At CCSBT9 and the Extended Commission agreed to a number of changes in the TIS, including:

CCSBT 9 の拡大委員会において、TIS の内容に関しいくつかの変更を行うことに合意している。 それらは、

- That minimum standards should be developed on the quality or level of completeness of TIS documents;
- Improved processes for exports and importers for handling TIS forms and that TIS forms should be issued for all exports, including exports to non-members;
- Reconciliation of TIS documents between exporters and importers be conducted by requiring exporters to submit electronic lists of all TIS documents issued.
- TIS ドキュメントの質及びレベルを完璧にするため最低基準を作成する。
- 輸出のため改良され、また輸入業者が扱う TIS については、非加盟国に対する輸出も含め全ての輸出について提出する。
- 輸出業者及び輸入業者間の TIS ドキュメントの整合性については、提出された全ての TIS ドキュメントの電子リストを輸出業者が提出することで確保する。

In relation to the first point, the Secretariat has produced draft minimum standards for the TIS and these are provided at Attachment 1. It is intended that these standards would become Annex 5 of the TIS. The attached standards incorporate comments provided by Japan and New Zealand in relation to an earlier draft, but these changes have yet to be discussed by members. The latest draft attempts to address some common views of both Japan and New

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Comments on the minimum standards have not been received from Australia, Korea and Taiwan, although Australia has remarked that it cannot agree to minimum standards until a number of issues it has with the TIS have been discussed at CCSBT10.

オーストラリア、韓国及び台湾からの最低基準に関するコメントはまだ受け取っていない。オーストラリアに関しては、TIS に関するいくつかの問題が CCSBT10 で議論されるまでは最低基準に関し同意できないとしている。

Zealand that (1) The exporting country should be responsible for enforcing completion if its TIS form; (2) The importing country should not be responsible for correcting inadequacies in an exporter's TIS documents; and (3) The Secretariat should have the responsibility for follow-ups concerning inadequacies in TIS documents<sup>2</sup> and reporting compliance problems back the to CCSBT.

第一点に関し、事務局は TIS のための最低基準案を作成した。これらは別添 1 に掲載してある。これらの基準は付属書 5 になる予定となっている。別添基準案は先の基準案に対する日本及びニュージーランドのコメントを合わせた物であるが、これらの変更点についてはまだ加盟国によって議論されていない。最新の草案については日本及びニュージーランドのいくつか共通の意見を強調するように試みており、それらは(1)輸出国は TIS 様式の完全な記載の実施について責任を持つべきである、(2)輸入国は輸出国の記載した TIS ドキュメントの不備の修正について責任を負うべきではない、(3)事務局は不備のある TIS ドキュメントのフォローアップ及び CCSBT に対する報告の遵守に関する問題について責任を持つべきである、というものである。

The changes relating to the last two points have been implemented and are helping to overcome problems caused by missing or "late" documents and to slightly increase the coverage of SBT trade achieved by the TIS scheme. The Secretariat has also requested exporting non-members to implement these changes in the TIS. To date, the Philippines has advised that it will implement the requested changes and responses from Indonesia and the Seychelles are still pending. The Secretariat has also requested that the U.S.A. (which is one of the largest SBT importers apart from Japan) cooperate with the TIS scheme in the same manner as CCSBT members who import SBT. The U.S.A. has responded, but only to redirect the Secretariat to a more appropriate agency in the U.S.A. administration. 後の二点に関する変更はすでに実施されており、ドキュメントの紛失及び"遅延"による問題を克服するのに役立っており、また、TIS スキームによる SBT 貿易の把握の範囲を若干増加させている。事務局はまた輸出非加盟国に対しこれらの変更点の実施を要請している。今日まで、フィリピンからはこれら変更点について実施する旨の返答が帰ってきているが、インドネシア及びセイシェルからは来ていない。

事務局はアメリカ合衆国(日本を除くと、最大の SBT 輸入国の一つ)に対しても、SBT を輸入している加盟国と同じ方法による TIS スキームへの協力を要請した。これに対しアメリカ合衆国は、アメリカ国内でより適切な当局を示しただけであった。

In implementing the last two points Australia, with the agreement of other members, changed its TIS form to include the country of destination<sup>3</sup>. New Zealand proposed that this change also be formally made to the official TIS form in Annex 1 of the SDP. This proposal was supported by Australia, but Japan felt that this formal requirement was an unnecessary restriction of commercial activities<sup>4</sup> and that exporting countries should be able to choose other means for obtaining information on the export destination. Japan felt that this issue should be discussed at CCSBT 10 if other members wished to discuss the issue further.

後の二点を実施するためオーストラリアは、他の加盟国の合意のもと、目的地の国を含めるためにその TIS 様式を変更した。ニュージーランドはこの変更も S D P (統計資料計画)の付属書 1 の公式な TIS 様式に正式に含めるように提案した。オーストラリアは本提案を支持した。しかし、日本はこの正式な要請が商業活動における不必要な制限となること、輸出国は輸出目的国の情報を得るために他の方法を選ぶことがでると考えている。日本は、もし他の加盟国がこの問題に関してさらに議論を求めるのであれば CCSBT10 において議論されるべきと考えている。

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> It is worth noting that the Secretariat has already been active in this area and has also contacted non-members to seek a general improvement in the completion of their TIS documents.

事務局はこの種の活動をすでに始めており、また非加盟国の TIS の完成度を一般的に高めるため非加盟国と連絡をとった。

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> So that it could record the destination country and report this in the electronic list submitted to the Secretariat. 従って、これにより仕向国が記録できること、また事務局に対し本件が電子リストとして提出された。

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> There are cases where SBT intended for one destination are exported to another country as a result of changes in world wide prices.

一つの目的地に輸出された SBT が、世界的な値段の変化によってさらに違う国に輸出される場合がある。

### Discussion

## 議論

The Secretariat seeks guidance from the Extended Commission on resolving completion of the minimum standards for TIS documents.

事務局は、TIS ドキュメントのための最低基準の完成に関し、拡大委員会からの指導を求める。

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#### Minimum Standards for completion of CCSBT Statistical Documents

(to become Annex 5 of the CCSBT Statistical Document Program)

#### 1. Responsibility Exporter and Exporting Country/Fishing Entity

- 1.1. The exporter is responsible for completing the export section of the statistical document (except for item 8 validation) and the source of the product (captured or farmed).
- 1.2. The exporting country/fishing entity is responsible for enforcing correct completion of each statistical document. The export section (items 1-8), the document number and the source of the product (captured or farmed) of the statistical document must be correctly completed in accordance with the instruction sheet of Annex 1.
- 1.3. The exporting country/fishing entity must ensure that the validator is responsible for checking that the statistical document is fully completed and is correct. The validation section of the statistical document should not be completed and the export should not be approved unless this check has been conducted and the statistical document has been determined to be complete and correct.

#### 2. Responsibility of Importer and Importing Country/Fishing Entity

- 2.1. The importer is responsible for completing the import section of the statistical document.
- 2.2. The importing country/fishing entity is responsible for enforcing correct completion of the import section of each statistical document. The import section must be correctly completed in accordance with the instruction sheet of Annex 1.
- 2.3 The importing country/fishing entity will also check that the following items of information are present, legible and correct<sup>1</sup> on each statistical document:
  - Flag country/fishing entity of capture vessel;
  - Net weight;
  - Exporter certification (including a clearly identifiable exporter name);
  - Official validation seal or stamp.
- 2.4 If any information specified in 2.2 is missing, illegible or incorrect, the importing country/fishing entity should hold the product until the missing information is provided. The importing country should request the Executive Secretary to obtain the missing information from the exporter. However, to minimize delays in marketing the product, the importer can choose to contact the exporter directly to obtain this information.

#### 3. Responsibility of the Executive Secretary

3.1. The Executive Secretary will monitor the accuracy and completeness of all statistical documents received.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For some items of information, the check for correctness will often be limited to confirming that an item is not obviously incorrect.

3.2. When information on SDP documents is found to be missing or inaccurate, the Executive Secretary will write to the countries/fishing entities involved<sup>2</sup> to advise them of what they are required to provide and to request that the missing/inaccurate information be provided or corrected<sup>3</sup>. If the requested information is not supplied within an appropriate time frame, or if information is repeatedly omitted by a country/fishing entity, the Executive Secretary will refer the matter to the Compliance Committee for consideration.

<sup>2</sup> This will be the export country/fishing entity for all items of information except the import section, which will be the import country.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> It is expected that the exporting country/fishing entity would take appropriate action against the exporting company/validators if information is repeatedly omitted.

#### **Compliance with the Statistical Document Program**

In previous years, the Secretariat has provided a summary of compliance with relevant sections of the TIS scheme. A similar summary, updated for 2002/03 is provided here for member's information.

#### A. Information Required (Section 2 of SDP)

In accordance with Section 2.2 (d) and (e) members shall maintain aggregated information on their tuna farms and submit such information to the Secretariat every six months on average. Australia submitted aggregated information on tuna farms to the Secretariat during February and September 2003.

#### B. Exchange of Information (Section 4 of SDP)

Members who modify the Standard SDP form are required to provide a copy of such form to the Executive Secretary. Australia now requires its exporters to record the destination country on the TIS form and modified instructions for Australia's TIS form have been provided to the Secretariat. Australia has yet to modify its actual TIS form.

The following updates on validation have been provided by members in the past 12 months.

- Australia provided an update during October 2002 of its list of validators (names and signatures) for Port Lincoln and the Sydney airport together with the validation seals used at these locations;
- Taiwan provided an update during January 2003 that specified its single validator, along with that validator's signature stamp and the validation seal;
- Japan provided an update during July 2003 of its list of validators (names, and the signatures for names that have changed);
- Korea provided an update during August 2003 of all its authorised validation seals;
- New Zealand provided an update during September 2003 of its validation authority and all its validators (names, stamps and signatures).

#### C. Record and Report (Section 5 of SDP)

Japan provided the Secretariat with TIS documents for the period of October-December 2002 in late February<sup>1</sup> and late March 2003 and documents for the period of January-March in late June 2003 in accordance with Section 5.1. Documents for the period of April to June 2003 are expected in late September 2003. No TIS documents have been received from other members for SBT imports since October 2002.

The Secretariat has complied with the reporting timeframes of Section 5.3 and provided reports for the export periods of January-June 2002 and July-December 2002 on 28 November 2002 and 30 May 2003 respectively<sup>2</sup>.

Members complied with the new requirement in Section 5.8 to provide an electronic record of exports for the period July-December 2002 and Section 5.10 to resolve discrepancies identified by the Executive Secretary in the reconciliation of import and export documents. Some missing TIS documents have yet to be located by Japan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This was an early submission of Indonesian TIS forms for compilation for the Indonesian Catch Monitoring Workshop held in early April 2003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The required dates for these reports were 1 December 2002 and 1 June 2003 respectively.

## D. Re-export (Section 6 of SDP)

One re-export form for a Japanese export to Korea was submitted for the Secretariat to report against in accordance with Section 6.4. This form was received from Korea in July 2003 for a re-export in Mar 2003.