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Korea Report on Implementation of SIOFA CMMs

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Delegation of Republic of Korea

Abstract

Korea provides a report on their implementation of all SIOFA CMMs since 2017.

Korea-Report on Implementation of SIOFA CMMs

The Republic of Korea (hereinafter referred to as “Korea”) intends to notify through this report its implementation of SIOFACMMs since 2017.

CMM 2017/01 – CMM for the Interim Management of Bottom Fishing in the Agreement Area

Korea has not carried out any fishing activities in the Agreement Area since 2014. Therefore, implementation of CMM 2017/01 does not apply to Korea in the relevant period.

CMM 2017/02 – CMM for the Collection, Reporting, Verification and Exchange of Data relating to fishing activities in the Agreement Area

Korea has not carried out any fishing activities in the Agreement Area since 2014. Therefore, submission of data on the previous year pursuant to Paragraph 4-7 of CMM 2017/02 does not apply to Korea. Meanwhile, Korea submitted a national report on 19 March 2018 pursuant to paragraph 8 of CMM 2017/02, which includes some data on the past activities pursuant to paragraph 9-10 and some observer data pursuant to paragraph 11-13 of CMM 2017/02.

CMM 2016/03 – CMM for Data Confidentiality and Procedures for the Access and Use of Data

N/A

CMM 2016/04 – CMM on Vessels without Nationality

CMM 2016/04 prohibits vessels without nationality from carrying out fishing activities in the Agreed Area and acknowledges their relevance to IUU fishing. In accordance with the FAO Port State Measures Agreement to which Korea is a Party since January 2016 and in accordance with Article 14 of Distant Water Fisheries Development Act which is the relevant domestic law, Korea conducts inspections in its ports on vessels without nationality or denies the entry of such vessels, prohibits the use of ports and port services accordingly.

CMM 2016/05 – CMM regarding the use of large-scale pelagic driftnets and deep water gillnets in

the [SIOFA] Area

Korea's distant water fisheries operators must comply with conservation management measures of international fisheries organizations and international standards related to overseas fisheries pursuant to Article 13 paragraph 1 of Distant Water Fisheries Development Act. Large drift net fishing is strictly prohibited pursuant to the law and standards. Also, Korean-flagged vessels do not engage in any deep sea gillnet fisheries in any areas around the globe.

CMM 2016/06 – CMM on the Listing of IUU Vessels

The Contracting Parties of SIOFA shall submit the list of vessels suspected of having engaged in IUU fishing at least 120 days in advance of an ordinary Meeting of the Parties. In this regard, there are no findings by Korea regarding vessels suspected of having engaged in IUU fishing. Moreover, none of Korean vessels have engaged in IUU fishing or have been suspected of such fishing in the SIOFA Agreed Area.

CMM 2017/07 – CMM on Authorisation and notification to Fish

N/A

CMM 2017/08 – CMM establishing a Port Inspection Scheme

In accordance with the FAO Port State Measures Agreement to which Korea is a Party since January 2016 and in accordance with Article 14 of Distant Water Fisheries Development Act which is the relevant domestic law, Korea conducts inspections in its ports.

CMM 2017/09 – CMM for Control of fishing activities in the Agreement Area

Korea has not carried out any fishing activities in the Agreement Area since 2014. Therefore, implementation of CMM 2017/09 does not apply to Korea.

CMM 2017/10 – CMM for Monitoring of Fisheries in the Agreement Area

Korea has not carried out any fishing activities in the Agreement Area since 2014. Therefore, implementation of CMM 2017/10 does not apply to Korea.