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Abstract	
<p>In 2024, the Scientific Committee requested the Secretariat to contact FAO and the R/V Fridtjof Nansen cruise staff to retrieve data collected in the SIOFA area that could be of use and value. The Secretariat contacted FAO in August-September 2024 as FAO is the data repository. After several exchanges two datasets have been provided to the SIOFA Secretariat in March 2025. The first dataset pertains to survey data collected during the June-July 2015 trip, and the second dataset is from the trip conducted in June 2018. The datasets have not been checked and not incorporated yet into SIOFA databases.</p> <p>Data release from other cruises are delayed because data come from both within EEZs and in the SIOFA area. These require additional release permissions which are being acquired by the Nansen EAF programme. This may include further email exchange with the SIOFA Secretariat.</p>	

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Recommendations (for proposals and working papers only)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The SC to note that the Nansen Project provided data from 2 trips conducted in the SIOFA area, and that other data is expected.