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ATTN: Heads of Delegation to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC)

48 Supply Chain Companies Call on the WCPFC to Urgently Adopt a Management Procedure for North Pacific Albacore Tuna and Adopt a new CMM for Tuna Conservation that Limits Fishing Mortality for Bigeye and Yellowfin

The undersigned companies have made commitments to sourcing seafood responsibly, including tuna from the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (WCPO). We recognize that the adoption and implementation of comprehensive precautionary management procedures (i.e., harvest strategies) is fundamental to effective long-term management of tuna fisheries in the WCPO.

Of primary importance to us is that the WCPFC adopts a management procedure for North Pacific albacore tuna and maintains all current timelines in the harvest strategy workplan without further extensions or delays.

We also ask the WCPFC to adopt a new CMM for tuna conservation that limits fishing mortality for bigeye and yellowfin to the interim Target Reference Points and includes the outputs of the skipjack Management Procedure adopted in 2022, which also removes all ambiguities and exemptions.

Also in 2023, we ask the WCPFC to:

- Adopt and/or strengthen at-sea transshipment measures in line with best practices, such as those recommended in the NGO Tuna Forum's Aligned Guidance on At-Sea Transshipment.
- Adopt electronic monitoring program standards and a timeline for implementation by 2025.

As companies engaged in the sourcing of tunas globally, we are seeking to ensure that your government supports efforts to adopt management procedures in the WCPFC.

We appreciate your delegation's commitment to addressing these issues and thank you in advance for your attention in this matter.

Kind regards,





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Representing the following companies:

