
A RESOLUTION

To ratify the Articles of Agreement establishing the Arrangement for the Management of the Western Pacific Purse Seine Fishery.

1 WHEREAS, the Articles of Agreement establishing the
2 Arrangement for the Management of the Western Pacific Purse
3 Seine Fishery was signed by most governments who are parties to
4 the Nauru Agreement (PNA), which includes the Federated States
5 of Micronesia, the Republic of Palau, Papua New Guinea, the
6 Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Nauru and
7 Tuvalu on October 28, 1992; and

8 WHEREAS, the general functions of the Management Meeting
9 include consideration of all available information relating to
10 catch and operations of purse seine fishing vessels within the
11 area, and economic and socio-economic information relating to
12 the impact of the fishing on parties; establishing necessary
13 measures for the management of purse seine fishing efforts,
14 allocation of licenses, closed areas and other management
15 measures from time to time; the establishment and implementation
16 of a system of observation and inspection consistent with
17 regionally agreed-upon initiatives; the more effective
18 implementation of the first and second implementing arrangements
19 entered into pursuant to the Nauru Agreement Concerning
20 Cooperation in the Management of Fisheries of Common Interest;
21 1982; the development of surveillance and enforcement procedures
22 consistent with regionally agreed-upon initiatives; referral of
23 matters for consideration by Special Working Groups; the
24 adoption of a budget for the management of tuna resources; and
25 the determination of the level of contributions by parties; and

1 WHEREAS, the scope of the arrangement shall apply to all
2 species of tuna and tuna-like species taken by purse seine
3 vessels, wherever they may occur in the area; and

4 WHEREAS, this Arrangement will enter into force 14 days
5 following receipt by the depository of the instruments of
6 ratification by the signatory governments; and

7 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the National
8 Government of the Federated States of Micronesia to ratify an
9 Arrangement for the management of the purse seine fishery; now,
10 therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Eighth Congress of the Federated States of
12 Micronesia, ~~First~~ Second Regular Session, 1993, that pursuant
13 to section 2(b) of article IX of the Constitution of the
14 Federated States of Micronesia the Congress hereby ratifies the
15 Articles of Agreement establishing the Arrangement for the
16 Management of the Western Pacific Purse Seine Fishery; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of this resolution
18 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby
19 authorized to designate the Secretary of External Affairs to
20 lodge a document of ratification with the depository; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
3 States of Micronesia and the Director of the Forum Fisheries
4 Agency.

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6 Date: 5/14/93

Introduced by: /s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
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