

## COFI 34 – WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PROCEDURE

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<b>FAO SECRETARIAT REPLY</b>	<p>The Secretariat duly notes Indonesia's request for support activities involving improving market access and value-chains, particularly towards small-scale fishers. It was also observed the importance of information sharing, particularly on global trade analysis, to benefit all actors of the value chain.</p> <p>The Secretariat values Indonesia's appreciation of a specific project involving fish species value-addition and quality. The Secretariat recognizes the proposal from Indonesia of replicating this project to other developing countries.</p> <p>The Secretariat welcomes the Indonesian support to legal and transparent international trade policies, the importance to combat IUU, and the need for comprehensive capacity building actions in this area.</p> <p>The Secretariat acknowledges Indonesia's support for revising the Article 11 CCRF questionnaire focusing on improving quality results. The importance of supporting countries in connection with properly answering the questionnaire was also noted.</p> <p>The Secretariat recognizes the value mentioned by Indonesia on market information sharing through the GLOBEFISH project and the emphasis of having accurate and reliable data.</p> <p>The Secretariat duly notes the recommendation from Indonesia of increasing the cooperation with the business community, focusing on reducing illegal practices, including fish laundering. The importance of FAO to continue to inform scientific-based decisions to CITES in Appendices species listing was also observed.</p> <p>The Secretariat values the importance highlighted by Indonesia of information sharing on trade-related services to facilitate policy development, particularly for developing countries.</p> <p>The Secretariat welcomes the position of Indonesia on the promotion and protection of human rights, and it duly notes the updates on national measures towards this end.</p>

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