

## COFI 34 – WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PROCEDURE

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<b>FAO SECRETARIAT REPLY</b>	<p>The Secretariat acknowledges the endorsement by Japan of the report of the Sub-Committee on Fish Trade.</p> <p>The Secretariat duly notes the Japanese position on specific issues associated with the management of fisheries resources.</p> <p>The Secretariat welcomes the Japanese statement stressing FAO's unique and pivotal role as the only global fisheries technical agency and its contribution to science-based fisheries management.</p> <p>The Secretariat values Japan's recognition of the importance of a decision-making approach based on scientific evidence, in cooperation with CITES and IUCN.</p>

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