

## ORGANISATION OF THE MEETING

### Adoption of the Agenda

2.1 The Provisional Agenda (CCAMLR-XXVIII/1), had been distributed prior to the meeting and was adopted without amendment. The Agenda is given in Annex 3.

2.2 The Chair referred Agenda Item 3 to the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance (SCAF), and Agenda Items 8 to 10 to the Standing Committee on Implementation and Compliance (SCIC). The reports of SCAF and SCIC are given in Annexes 4 and 5 respectively.

### Report of the Chair

2.3 The Workshop for the Development of a Compliance Evaluation Procedure (DOCEP) was held in Bergen, Norway, from 6 to 10 July 2009 (Annex 6). It was convened by Ms K. Dawson-Guynn (USA) and was attended by 10 participants from 10 Member countries.

2.4 Four Scientific Committee working group meetings, along with associated subgroup meetings and workshops, had been held during the intersessional period; details of these meetings are elaborated in SC-CAMLR-XXVIII, paragraph 1.8.

2.5 For the 2008/09 season, 62 inspectors had been designated, in accordance with the CCAMLR System of Inspection, by Australia, Chile, France, New Zealand and the UK. A total of nine at-sea inspections were reported: six conducted by UK-designated CCAMLR inspectors in Subarea 48.3, two conducted by Australian-designated inspectors in Division 58.4.3b and one conducted by a French-designated CCAMLR inspector in Division 58.5.1.

2.6 CCAMLR-designated scientific observers were deployed on all vessels fishing for finfish and some vessels fishing for krill in the Convention Area in 2008/09 (see paragraph 6.1 for further details).

2.7 During the 2008/09 season, CCAMLR Members had actively participated in 13 fisheries in the Convention Area. In addition, three other managed fisheries were conducted in national Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZs) within the Convention Area. Vessels fishing in fisheries managed under conservation measures in force in 2008/09 had reported, by 25 September 2009, a total catch of 123 948 tonnes of krill, 13 025 tonnes of toothfish and 1 936 tonnes of icefish. A number of other species were taken as by-catch.

2.8 The Catch Documentation Scheme for *Dissostichus* spp. (CDS) has been in operation since 2000, and now includes the participation of two non-Contracting Parties to CCAMLR: Seychelles and Singapore; along with three Acceding States: Canada, Mauritius and Peru. The total number of catch documents (i.e. landing/transshipment, export and re-export documents) received and processed by the Secretariat to date is well over 36 000.

2.9 In accordance with the Commission's request, the Secretariat continues the use of the electronic web-based CDS (E-CDS) documentation. Since January 2008, all Members have used the E-CDS format.

2.10 The Centralised Vessel Monitoring System (C-VMS) continues to be implemented under Conservation Measure 10-04. Since its commencement, 120 vessels have been monitored in all subareas and divisions, as well as voluntarily outside the Convention Area.

2.11 During the year, the Commission and the Scientific Committee had been represented by observers at a number of international meetings (sections 14 and 15; SC-CAMLR-XXVIII, section 9).