Attachment 11.b of

Decision Document on Cooperation Arrangements

The 13th Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM-13)

29-30 November 2017

Makati City, Manila, Philippines

Acknowledgement and recognition on the efforts made by the Regional Secretariat in reaching out to potential entities in its effort to seek additional / alternative funding sources

1. MoU with SEAFDEC

- a) Appreciated and acknowledged the existing MOU and collaborative efforts with SEAFDEC: and
- b) Encouraged Regional Secretariat to intensify efforts to initiate collaborative programs with respect to seeking external funding.

2. MoU with SPREP and CTC

- a) Appreciated and acknowledged the existing MOU between Regional Secretariat and SPREP and CTC; and
- b) Encouraged Regional Secretariat to intensify efforts to initiate collaborative programs with respect to seeking external funding.

3. MoU with GIZ

- a) Appreciated and acknowledged the existing MOU between Regional Secretariat and GIZ on the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape Project (SSSP) enclosed 3 NCCs (Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines);
- b) Appreciated and acknowledged respectively the support and outputs of the GIZ support to strengthen Regional Secretariat with regards to GIZ-expert assistance; and
- c) Encouraged Regional Secretariat to channel the outputs and outcomes of the SSSP projects to other NCCs through any available communication media.

4. MoU with Universities within the Regional Secretariat initiative on CTI-CFF University Partnership

a) Acknowledged the progress and achievement of CTI-CFF University Partnership since last SOM-12 on the membership and its proposed

- programs on capacity building, research and outreach to support the achievement of the CTI-CFF outcomes and to address the improvement of science-based management;
- b) Acknowledged the initiative of the Regional Secretariat to engage other leading Universities by signing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with:
 - 1) Padjadjaran University (UNPAD) from Indonesia,
 - 2) Bogor Agricultural University (IPB) from Indonesia
 - 3) Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS) from Indonesia
 - 4) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) from Indonesia
 - 5) Sam Ratulangi University (UNSRAT) from Indonesia
 - 6) Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT) from Malaysia
 - 7) James Cook University (JCU) from Australia
 - 8) Universidade Oriental de Timor Lorosa'e (UNITAL) from Timor-Leste;
 - 9) University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG) from Papua New Guinea
 - 10) The University of Queensland from Australia
 - 11) Universidade Nacional Timor Lorosa'e (UNTL) from Timor-Leste
 - 12) Padjajaran University from Indonesia
 - 13) Solomon Islands National University (SINU) from Solomon Islands
 - 14) Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) from Malaysia
- c) Acknowledged the initiation from Regional Secretariat for upcoming MoU with:

University of the Philippines Diliman (UPD) from Philippines.

5. MoU with USDOI with regards to USAID-support: CTI-CFF/USAID Work Plan Strengthening Organizational and Administrative Capacity for Improved Fisheries Management (SOACAP-IFM)

- a) Appreciated and acknowledged the support of the USAID/RDMA through US DOI to the Regional Secretariat on the formation and implementation of the SOACAP-IFM work plan as for strengthen the CTI-CFF in EAFM through advancing regional catch documentation and traceability (CDT) in fisheries to combat Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IUUF) and promote sustainable fisheries for livelihoods and food security in the Asia and Pacific region; and
- b) Acknowledged the last version of the SOACAP-IFM Work Plan, comprising of 2 operational objectives with total of 7 activities for a period of 2017 2019, which include:

Objective 1. Improve application of the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM)

 Activity 1.1: CTI-CFF/USAID Inception Workshop: Building-Up A Regional Catch Documentation and Traceability (CDT) System and

- Advancing Fisheries Management for Strengthening Food Security in Coral Triangle Region;
- ii. Activity 1.2: Learning exchange of CT6 Countries to USAID Oceans priority area (General Santos City and Bitung);
- iii. Activity 1.3: Workshop on CDT system design and development based on EAFM;
- iv. Activity 1.4: Planning meeting for the establishment Regional Scientific Advisory Group (SAG) meeting on EAFM in Manado;
- v. Activity 1.5: Series of CTI-CFF countries consultative visit by CTI-CFF and Oceans for CDT/EAFM implementation;

Objective 2: Strengthen Collaboration among Key CTI-CFF organizations and Partners Through a Series of Cross-Cutting Activities Designed to Promote Country-To-Country Engagement, Build Professional Networks, and Leverage Private Sector Funding

- Activity 2.1: CTI-CFF PPP Preparation: Expert-Consultation Meeting on PPP design and arrangement;
- ii. Activity 2.2: CTI-CFF PPP on Sustainable Fisheries Management.
- c) Acknowledged the signed MOU between the Regional Secretariat and the US DOI with regards to the implementation of the SOACAP-IFM activities;
- d) Appreciated and acknowledge all efforts of the Regional Secretariat to be an eligible USAID-grant recipient categorized as a Public International Organization (PIO);
- e) Acknowledged the implementation of the SOACAP-IFM activities by Regional Secretariat should be in close coordination with the EAFM Working Group; and
- f) Acknowledged and adopt respectively the implementation and outcomes of the SOACAP-IFM Activity 1.1 held in CTI Headquarter, Manado, Indonesia, on 25-26 September 2017.

6. MOU with PRIMEX/ADB RETA 7813 on the Coastal and Resources Management in the Coral Triangle: Southeast Asia.

- a) Appreciated and acknowledged the support of the ADB/RETA 7813 on:
 - Consultative Meeting on the Establishment of a Sea Turtle MPA Network and MCS in the SSME in Jakarta, 25-26 April 2017
 - ii. Tri-National Workshop on the Establishment of a Sea Turtle MPA Network in Manado, Indonesia, 12-14 June 2017
 - iii. Project Initiation Specialists (PIS) assists CTI-CFF in providing the regular updates of donor status, the procedure for applying GCF and GEF, and Cost and Benefit Analysis (CBA)
 - iv. Support to participation of RS-CTI CFF staff to attend the Yokohama ADB Youth Program and Women Leader Forum in Japan, 1-5 May 2017

- b) Task Regional Secretariat to align the outcomes of the Workshop on Sea Turtle MPA Network to MPA and Seascape Working Groups; and
- c) Task Regional Secretariat with support of the MPA Working Group and NCCs to optimize any CTI platform to initiate new program on the establishment of the MPA Network for external funding opportunity.

7. Potential Cooperation with CMAR

Approved to support the participation of CTI-CFF to the proposed CMAR learning events.