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Dear Dr. Soh:

To satisfy the reporting requirements of WCPFC Conservation and Management Measure 2006-04 for South Pacific striped marlin, Table 1 (attached) contains information on the number of, and catches by, U.S. vessels that fished for striped marlin, and bycatch of striped marlin, south of 15°S in the Convention Area from 2008-2009.<sup>1</sup>

If you have any questions about this information please contact me at +1 808-944-2206 or [charles.karnella@noaa.gov](mailto:charles.karnella@noaa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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<sup>1</sup> Please see my letter to you of April 26, 2007, regarding the number of U.S. fishing vessels permitted to fish for striped marlin in the Convention Area south of 15° South latitude. The number cited in that letter still applies.



**Attachment 1. United States reporting under WCPFC Conservation and Management Measure 2006-04; reported September 2010.**

**Table 1. Number of, and catches by, U.S. vessels that fished for striped marlin, and bycatch of striped marlin, south of 15°S in the Convention Area, 2008 and 2009.**

	2008	2009
Number of vessels fishing for striped marlin	0	0
Striped marlin catch by vessels fishing for striped marlin (mt)	0	0
Total bycatch of striped marlin (mt)	1	2