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Mr. Timothy Johns, Chair
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Dear Mr. Johns:

I am pleased to report to you and the rest of the Council the following summary of U.S. Coast Guard Living Marine Resources activities in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean region for the period of October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

From October 26th to November 3rd, a U.S. Navy vessel patrolled the U.S. EEZ of Hawaii with an embarked U.S. Coast Guard law enforcement detachment. No foreign vessel incursions were detected.

From November 2nd to 5th, USCGC Galveston Island patrolled the U.S. EEZ of Hawaii with two embarked U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service officers. During the patrol, eleven domestic boardings were conducted resulting in three vessel safety terminations and one citation for a non-U.S. master. No foreign vessel incursions were detected.

On November 11th, District Fourteen's Joint Rescue Coordination Center (JRCC) assisted NOAA Fisheries in the operational response to a whale carcass off Kailua Bay, Oahu. The JRCC provided an optimal drift model to assist in the determination of where to release the dead animal to prevent it from drifting back towards shore.

On December 13th, a U.S. Navy vessel patrolled the U.S. EEZ of Hawaii with an embarked U.S. Coast Guard law enforcement detachment. No foreign vessel incursions were detected.

District Fourteen enforcement staff participated in several Living Marine Resources related meetings during this reporting period. These meetings included the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council, Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission, NOAA Pacific Region Large Whale Entanglement Response Network, and the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Law Enforcement Task Force.

Sincerely,


E. T. Roberts
By direction