

## **Understanding the Working Conditions of Western and Central Pacific Ocean Fisheries Observers: A baseline survey.**

### **Fisheries Observer Survey Details**

If you are a fisheries observer in the Central and Western Pacific Ocean, we want to hear about your experiences at sea.

We are Human Rights at Sea and Jessica Sparks (a researcher from University of Nottingham Rights Lab). We are asking for your participation in a survey. The aim of the survey is to better understand the working conditions of fisheries observers and to identify factors that may help observers in the future.

The survey will take you between 20 and 25 minutes to complete. There are no right or wrong answers. You will be asked about your experiences on board (including experiences with harassment and abuse), as well as background questions about the ships you have worked on.

**Anyone who is over the age of 18 and that has observed at least 1 trip in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean fisheries since 2017 is eligible to participate.** Your participation in the survey is anonymous and voluntary and your responses will be used to make recommendations to improve working conditions for observers.

More information about the survey can be found in the attached information sheet (including an explanation of the geographic boundaries of the western, central Pacific Ocean. The survey can be found at the following link: <https://bit.ly/32s59XJ>

**The link to the survey can be forwarded to other observers in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean that you may know.**

**We ask that you complete the survey by October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

We thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Human Rights at Sea and Dr Jessica Sparks