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**THE FISHERIES (1987-88 SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA QUOTA)
REGULATIONS 1987**

PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 28th day of September 1987

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Fisheries Act 1983, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (1987-88 Southern Bluefin Tuna Quota) Regulations 1987.

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1987.

2. Interpretation—In these regulations, “southern bluefin tuna” means the fish of which the scientific name is *Thunnus maccoyi*.

3. Application—These regulations apply only in respect of the fishing year commencing on the 1st day of October 1987.

4. Quota for southern bluefin tuna imposed—A quota of 1000 greenweight tonnes is hereby imposed on the taking of southern bluefin tuna by commercial fishermen in New Zealand fisheries waters.

5. Offence—(1) Every commercial fisherman commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 who takes any southern bluefin tuna in New Zealand fisheries waters after the quota imposed by regulation 4 of these regulations has been filled.

(2) It is a defence to proceedings for an offence under subclause (1) of this regulation if the Court is satisfied that the defendant did not know and could not reasonably be expected to have known that the quota had been filled.

6. Revocations—The following regulations are hereby revoked:

(a) The Fisheries (1986-87 Commercial Quotas) Regulations 1986*:

(b) The Fisheries (1986-87 Commercial Quotas) Regulations 1986, Amendment No. 1†.

C. J. HILL,
Acting for Clerk of the Executive Council.

*S.R. 1986/256
†S.R. 1987/110

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations revoke and replace the Fisheries (1986-87 Commercial Quotas) Regulations 1986.

The regulations impose a quota of 1000 greenweight tonnes on the taking of southern bluefin tuna by commercial fishermen in New Zealand fisheries waters. The regulations do not impose quotas in respect of any other species of fish. Jack mackerel and squid which were subject to quotas under the revoked regulations are now to be brought under the individual transferable quota system.

The regulations come into force on 1 October 1987 and apply only in respect of the fishing year commencing on that day.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.