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## MEMORANDUM ORDER

NO. 12  
Series of 2025

**SUBJECT: GUIDELINES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF NECESSITY TO IMPORT 25,000 MT OF APPROVED IMPORTABLE SPECIES**

To provide for a clear and efficient implementation of the Certificate of Necessity to Import 25,000 MT of approved importable species valid from issuance until May 30, 2025 ("CNI 25,000 MT March to May 2025"), in relation to the issuance of SPS Import Clearance for the same, these guidelines are hereby issued for the information and guidance of all concerned.

**Section 1. Scope and Application** – This Order covers all importation of frozen fish and fishery/aquatic products under the CNI 25,000 MT March to May 2025 and shall apply suppletory to other applicable rules and regulations issued for the importation of fish and fishery/aquatic products.

**Section 2. Importable Species** – The list of approved importable species is hereby attached as Annex 1.

**Section 3. Who may import** – The following may import under the CNI 25,000 MT March to May 2025:

- a. Importers under FAO 195 who have been accredited for at least one (1) year prior to this issuance; and
- b. Registered importers under FAO 259 who participated in any previous CNI.

For this purpose, a written intent and updated documentary requirements shall be submitted to the BFAR, addressed to the Director, through the Fisheries Inspection and Quarantine Division (FIQD), within seven (7) working days from the effectivity of this Order.

All importers who complied with the preceding paragraph may qualify to import provided that all accreditation or registration documents of the importer are updated and complete. Only applications with complete documentary requirements shall be accepted.

**Section 4. Disqualification** - The following importers are disqualified from applying SPSICs under the CNI:

- a) those with pending cases or investigations in relation to violations of any food safety or importation rules and regulations;



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- b) those who were not able to secure BOC accreditation and/or clearance at the start of this importation period; and
- c) those who were not able to submit complete and updated requirements within seven (7) working days from the date of issuance of this Order.

**Section 5. Allocation to importers** – An initial volume of 28 MT shall be allocated to each qualified importer who were able to comply with Sections 3 and 4 of this Order. The remaining volume shall be allocated to the qualified importers on a “first come first serve basis”. The allocation for subsequent importations shall be based on the actual number of qualified importers who complied within the seven (7) working days period.

**Section 6. Validity of SPSIC** – SPSIC issued under this Order shall be valid for forty-five days (45) days from the date of issuance corresponding to the *must ship out by date* indicated therein. Any unused SPSIC shall be considered automatically cancelled and shall be surrendered to the BFAR.

In no case shall the date of loading at the port of embarkation at the country of origin as specified in the bill of lading be earlier than the date of issuance of the SPSIC, otherwise the consignment shall be subjected to applicable confiscation procedures.

**Section 7. Use of Licensed Cold Storage Warehouse** – Only cold storage warehouse with a valid License to Operate by the BFAR shall be used as storage facility for the fish and fishery/aquatic products imported under this Order.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless revoked in writing. All previous issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Order is hereby revoked.

Done this 20<sup>th</sup> day of FEBRUARY 2025.

  
**FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.**  
Secretary



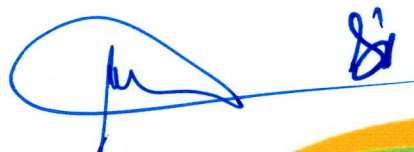
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### Annex 1

#### List of Approved Importable Species

Common Name	Scientific Name
Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus keta</i> , <i>O. tshawytscha</i> , <i>O. gorbushca</i> , <i>O. masou</i> , <i>O. kisutch</i> , <i>O. nerka</i>
Sardines	<i>Sardinops sagax</i> , <i>Sardinella</i> <i>longiceps</i> , <i>S. aurita</i> , <i>S. jussieui</i> , <i>S.</i> <i>maderensis</i> , <i>S. sindensis</i> , <i>S.</i> <i>brasiliensis</i> , <i>Sardina pilchardus</i>
Gindara	<i>Anoploma fimbria</i>
Pangasius	<i>Pangasius sanitwongsei</i> , <i>P.</i> <i>larnaudii</i> , <i>P. Pangasius</i> , <i>Pseudolais</i> <i>micronemus</i> , <i>Pangasionodon gigas</i> , <i>Pangasianodon hypophthalmus</i>
Tuna by-products	<i>Auxis rochei</i> , <i>Auxis spp.</i> , <i>Auxis</i> <i>thazard</i> , <i>Euthynnus affinis</i> , <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i> , <i>Thunnus</i> <i>alalunga</i> , <i>Thunnus albacares</i> , <i>Thunnus maccoyii</i> , <i>Thunnus</i> <i>obesus</i> , <i>Thunnus orientalis</i> , <i>Thunnus thynnus</i> , <i>Thunnus tonggol</i>
Hamachi	<i>Seriola quinqueradiata</i>
Swordfish	<i>Xiphias gladius</i>
Barramundi	<i>Lates calcarifer</i>
Fish Meat	<i>Nemipterus spp.</i> <i>Nemipterus virgatus</i> <i>Saurida elongata</i> <i>Saurida tumbil</i> <i>Synodus saurus</i> <i>Trichirus lepturus</i>
Alaskan Pollock	<i>Gadus chalcogrammus</i>
Oilfish	<i>Lepidocybium flavobrunneum</i> , <i>Dissostichus spp.</i> , <i>Ruvettus</i> <i>pretiosus</i>

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Halibut	<i>Hipoglossus hipoglossus, H. stenolepis, Psettodes erumei</i>
Cod/Black Cod	<i>Anoplopoma fimbria, Gadus morhua, Maccullochella peelii</i>
Hake	<i>Merluccius merluccius, M. bilinearias, M. polli, M. capensis, M. paradoxus, M. angustimanus, M. peruanus, M. gayi, M. australis, Urophycis tenuis, U. chuss, U. cirrata, U. earllii, U. floridana, U. regia, U. brasiliensis</i>
Croaker	<i>Ophioscion adustus, Stellifer stellifer, Micropogonias furnieri, Johnius elongatus, J. plagiostoma, J. borneensis, J. weberi, J. macrorhynchus, J. heterolepis, J. carouna, J. glaucus, J. trachycephalus, J. coitor, J. macropterus, J. goldmani, J. amblycephalus, J. dussumieri, J. belangerii, J. carutta, Panna perarmata, P. microdon, Boesemania microlepis, Atrobucca kyushini, Otolithes cuvieri, O. ruber, Kathala axillaris, Nibea albiflora, N. soldado, Otolithoides pama, O. biaritus, Daysciaenia albida, Aspericorvina jubata, Pennahia aneus, P. pawak, P. macropcephalus, P. argentala, Pterotolithus maculatus, P. lateioides, Paranibea semiluctuosa, Chrysochir aureus, Protonibea diacanthus, Dendrophysa russelii, Larimichthys polyactis, Micropogonias undulatus, Pseudotolithus typus, P. elongatus, P. senegalensis, Umbrina roncador, Roncador stearnsii, Cheilotrema saturnum, Odontoscion dentex, Nebris microps, Corvula sanctaeluciae, Atrobucca nibe,</i>

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	<i>Paralanchurus peruanus</i> , <i>Genyonemus lineatus</i>
Chilean Seabass	<i>Dissostichus eleginoides</i>
Marlin	<i>Makaira nigricans</i> , <i>M. mazara</i> , <i>Istiompax indica</i> , <i>Kajikia audax</i> , <i>K. albida</i> , <i>Tetrapturus belone</i>
Silverfish/Silver Sillago	<i>Sillago sihama</i>
Eel	<i>Anguilla japonica</i> , <i>A. anguilla</i> , <i>A. marmorata</i> , <i>A. rostrata</i> , <i>A. australis</i> , <i>Ophisurus serpens</i> , <i>Mystriophis rostellatus</i>
Mullet	<i>Mugil cephalus</i> , <i>M. curema</i> , <i>M. incilis</i> , <i>M. liza</i> , <i>M. hospes</i> , <i>M. thoburni</i> , <i>M. trichodon</i> , <i>M. broussonnetii</i> , <i>Crenimugil buchmani</i> , <i>C. seheli</i> , <i>C. crenilabis</i> , <i>Osteomugil speigleri</i> , <i>O. cunnesius</i> , <i>O. engeli</i> , <i>Gracilimugil argenteus</i> , <i>Paramugil parmatus</i> , <i>Chaenomugil proboscideus</i> , <i>Rhinomugil corsula</i> , <i>Planiliza macrolepis</i> , <i>P. affinis</i> , <i>P. subviridis</i> , <i>P. planiceps</i> , <i>P. melinoptera</i> , <i>Chelon dumerili</i> , <i>C. richardsonii</i> , <i>Neochelon falcipinnis</i> , <i>Ellochelon vaigiensis</i> , <i>Aldrichetta forsteri</i> , <i>Neomyxus leuciscus</i> , <i>Mullus barbatus</i>
Cobia	<i>Rachycentron canadum</i>
Capelin	<i>Mallotus villosus</i>
Moonfish	<i>Mene maculata</i>
Yellowtail Sole	<i>Limanda aspera</i>
Hoki	<i>Macruronus novaezelandiae</i>
Lobster	<i>Homarus americanus</i> , <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i> , <i>Panulirus versicolor</i> , <i>Panulirus versicolor</i> , <i>Thenus orientalis</i>

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Scallops	<i>Amusium pleuronectes, Argopecten irradians, Argopecten purpuratus, Mizuhopecten yessoensis, Patinopecten caurinus, Patinopecten yessoensis, Pectinidae rafinesque, Placopecten magellanicus</i>
Mussels (Black, green-lipped, blue)	<i>Adula californiensis, Adula diegensis, Adula gruneri, Adula schmidtii, Alasmidonta arcula, Alasmidonta heterodon, Alasmidonta viridis, Alasmidonta wrightiana, Amygdalum papyrium, Amygdalum politum, Amygdalum sagittatum, Anodonta anatine, Arcuatula arcuatula, Arcuatula senhousia, Atrina pectinata, Atrina zelandica, Aulacomya atra, Botula fusca, Brachidontes adamsianus, Brachidontes crebristriatus, Brachidontes domingensis, Brachidontes exustus, Brachidontes modiolus, Brachidontes mutabilis, Brachidontes variabilis, Choromytilus chorus, Choromytilus meridionalis, Choromytilus palliopunctatus, Cyrtonaias tampicoensis, Dacrydium pacificum, Dacrydium vitreum, Donax serra, Dreissena bugensis, Dreissena polymorpha, Dromus dromas, Ellipsaria lineolata, Elliptio spinosa, Elliptio steinstansana, Epioblasma capsaeformis, Epioblasma obliquata, Epioblasma penita, Epioblasma turgidula, Geukensia demissa, Geukensia granosissima, Gonidea angulata, Gregariella chenui, Gregariella coarctata, Gregariella coralliophaga, Gregariella petagna, Hemistena</i>

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*lata, Ischadium recurvum, Jolya rhomboidea, Lampsilis cariosa,, Lampsilis fasciola, Lampsilis haddletoni, Lampsilis higginsii, Lampsilis radiata, Lampsilis virescens, Leiosolenus plumula Lemiox rimosus, Lexingtonia dolabelloides, Ligumia nasuta Ligumia subrostrata, Limnoperna fortunei, Lioberus castaneus, Lithophaga antillarum, Lithophaga aristata, Lithophaga attenuata, Lithophaga bisulcata, Lithophaga curta, Lithophaga lithophaga, Lithophaga nigra, Lithophaga teres, Modiolarca impacta, Modiolula phaseolina, Modiolus adriaticus, Modiolus americanus, Modiolus aratus, Modiolus areolatus, Modiolus auriculatus, Modiolus barbatus, Modiolus capax, Modiolus carpenteri, Modiolus eiseni, Modiolus elongatus, Modiolus metcalfei, Modiolus modiolus, Modiolus modulaides, Modiolus neglectus, Modiolus nitens, Modiolus philippinarum, Modiolus rectus, Modiolus sacculifer, Modiolus squamosus, Musculus discors, Musculus glacialis, Musculus lateralis, Musculus marmoratus, Musculus niger, Musculus phenax, Musculus pygmaeus, Musculus taylori, Mytella bicolor, Mytella charruana, Mytella speciosa, Mytilisepta virgata, Mytilopsis leucophaeata, Mytilopsis sallei, Mytilus californianus, Mytilus chilensis, Mytilus desolationis, Mytilus edulis, Mytilus galloprovincialis, Mytilus planulatus, Mytilus platensis,*

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	<p><i>Mytilus trossulus, Mytilus unguiculatus, Pecten jacobaeus, Pegias fabula, Perna canaliculus, Perna indica, Perna perna, Perna picta, Perna viridis, Perumytilus purpuratus, Pinna nobilis, Pitar rudis, Pleurobema collina, Quadrula fragosa, Quadrula intermedia, Quadrula sparsa, Septifer bifurcatus, Septifer bilocularis, Septifer keenae, Simpsonaias ambigua, Sinanodonta woodiana, Solemya parkinsoni, Stavelia subdistorta, Strophitus connasaugaensis, Strophitus subvexus, Tellimya ferruginosa, Thracia convexa, Venustaconcha pleasii, Vignadula atrata, Vilasina vernicosa, Villosa iris, Xenostrobus pulex, Xenostrobus securis, Zelithophaga truncata</i></p>
Clams	<p><i>Meretrix lusoria, Meretrix lyrata, Panopea generosa, Siliqua patula</i></p>
Red Snapper	<p><i>Lutjanus campechanus, L. argentimaculatus, L. bohar, L. sebae, L. gibbus, Etelis carbunculus, E. coruscans</i></p>
Grouper	<p><i>Epinephelus analogus, E. aeneus, E. goreensis, E. labriformis, E. itajara, E. cyanopodus, E. morrhua, E. areolatus, E. polyphekadion, E. miliaris, E. retouti, E. insularis, E. striatus, E. tukula, E. tauvina, E. sexfasciatus, E. fasciatus, E. summana, E. radiatus, E. poecilonotus, E. latifasciatus, E. heniochus, E. erythrurus, E. diacanthus, E. bruneus, E. bleekeri, E. macrospilos, E. malabaricus, E. coeruleopunctatus, E. amblycephalus, E. coiodes, E.</i></p>

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	<p><i>corallicola, E. fasciatomaculosus, E. lanceolatus, E. magniscuttis, E. ongius, E. quoyanus, E. undulosus, E. chlorostigma, E. fuscoguttatus, E. morio, E. adscencionis, Hyporthodus quernus, H. flavolimbatus, H. octofasciatus, H. mystacinus, H. nigrinus, H. niveatus, Cephalopholis igarashiensis, C. sonnerati, C. taeniops, C. argus, C. urodeta, Chromileptes altivelis, Plectropomus maculatus, P. pessuliferus, P. laevis, P. oligacanthus, P. areolatus, Aethaloperca rogae, Gracila albomarginata, Plectranthias anthioides, Mycteropocra xenarcha, M. jordani, M. venenose, M. tigris, M. rubra, M. microlepis, Dermatolepis inermis, Variola albimarginata</i></p>
Flounder	<i>Paralichthys olivaceus, Platichthys bicoloratus, Verasper moseri</i>
Emperor	<i>Lethrinus miniatus</i>
Sea Bream	<i>Nemipterus hexodon, Nemipterus spp, Pagrus major, Sparus aurata, Spondylisoma cantharus</i>
Bluefin Tuna	<i>Thunnus maccoyii, T. orientalis, T. thynnus</i>
Oyster	<p><i>Alectryonella plicatula, Anomia achaeus, A. ephippium, A. trigonopsis, Chama buddiana, C. sinuosa, Crassostrea ariakensis, C. brasiliensis, C. columbiensis, C. commercialis, C. corteziensis, C. rhizophorae, C. rufa, C. tulipa, C. virginica, C. permollis, C. gigas, Dendostrea folium, D. frons, D. sandvichensis, Enigmonia</i></p>



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*aenigmatica, Magallana gigas, M. angulata, M. belcheri, M. bilineata, M. rivularis, M. sikamea, Ostrea edulis, O. angasi, O. atherstonei, O. chilensis, O. conchapila, O. cucullata, O. denselamellosa, O. lurida, O. lutaria, O. puelchana, Ostreola equestris, Saccostrea glomerata, Cryptostrea permollis, Heteranomia squamula, Hyotissa hyotis, Isognomon alatus, I. bicolor, I. ephippium, I. isognomum, I. janus, I. legumen, I. perna, I. radiatus, I. recognitus, Lophocristagalli, L. frons, Malleus albus, M. candeanus, M. malleus, M. regula, Myrakeena angelica, Neopycnodonte cochlear, Parahyotissa mcgintyi, Pinctada albina, P. anomioides, P. capensis, P. chemnitzii, P. fucata, P. imbricata, P. longisquamosa, P. maculata, P. margaritifera, P. maxima, P. mazatlanica, P. radiata, P. sugillata, Placuna ephippium, P. placenta, Planostrea pestigris, Pododesmus macrochisma, P. patelliformis, Pteria avicular, P. colymbus, P. hirundo, P. longisquamosa, P. penguin, P. sterna, P. vitrea, Saccostrea cucullata, S. echinata, S. glomerata, S. kegaki, S. malabonensis, S. palmula, S. scyphophilla, Spondylus americanus, S. barbatus, S. butleri, S. crassisquama, S. gaederopus, S. ictericus, S. imperialis, S. limbatus, S. regius, S. sinensis, S. spinosus, S. squamosus, S. variegatus, S. varius, S. versicolor, Striostrea denticulata, S. margaritacea, S. prismatica, Teskeyostrea weberi,*

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	<i>Undulostrea weberi, Urosalpinx cinerea, U. perrugata</i>
Smelt	<i>Spirinchus lanceolatus</i>
Soft/Hard Shell Crab	<i>Portunus trituberculatus</i>
Octopus	<i>Octopus ornatus, Octopus spp., Octopus vulgaris</i>
Squid	<i>Abralia grimpei, Abralia redfieldi, Abralia veranyi, Abraliopsis atlantica, Abraliopsis gilchristi, Abraliopsis morisii, Abraliopsis pfefferi, Aestuariolus noctiluca, Afrololigo mercatoris, Alloteuthis africana, Alloteuthis media, Alloteuthis subulate, Alluroteuthis antarcticus, Ancistroteuthis lichtensteinii, Architeuthis dux, Architeuthis japonica, Architeuthis martensi, Architeuthis sanctipauli, Austrorossia antillensis, Austrorossia australis, Bathothauma lyromma, Bathyteuthis abyssicola, Berryteuthis anonychus, Berryteuthis magister, Brachyteuthis beani, Chiroteuthis calyx, Chiroteuthis joubini, Ctenopteryx canariensis, Cycloteuthis sirventi, Discoteuthis discus, Discoteuthis laciniosa, Doryteuthis gahi, Doryteuthis ocula, Doryteuthis opalescens, Doryteuthis pealeii, Doryteuthis pleii, Doryteuthis roperi, Doryteuthis sanpaulensis, Doryteuthis surinamensis, Dosidicus gigas, Enoploteuthis anapsis, Enoploteuthis leptura, Eogonatus tinro, Eucleoteuthis luminosa, Euprymna berryi, Euprymna scolopes, Euprymna tasmanica, Filippovia knipovitchi,</i>

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	<p><i>Galiteuthis armata, Gonatopsis borealis, Gonatopsis makko, Gonatus berryi, Gonatus californiensis, Gonatus fabricii, Gonatus kamtschaticus, Gonatus madokai, Gonatus onyx, Gonatus oregonensis, Gonatus pyros, Gonatus steenstrupi, Gonatus ursabrunae, Helicocranchia papillate, Helicocranchia pfefferi, Heterololigo bleekeri, Heteroteuthis dispar, Heteroteuthis weberi, Histioteuthis arcturid, Histioteuthis bonnellii, Histioteuthis celetaria, Histioteuthis corona, Histioteuthis elongata, Histioteuthis macrohista, Histioteuthis meleagroteuthis, Histioteuthis reversa, Hyaloteuthis pelagica, Idiosepius kijimuna, Idiosepius notoides, Idiosepius paradoxus, Idoteuthis danae, Illex argentinus, Illex coindetii, Illex illecebrosus, Illex oxygonius, Kodama jujutsu, Kondakovia longimana, Lampadioteuthis megaleia, Leachia atlantica, Leachia Cyclura, Lepidoteuthis grimaldii, Liguriella podophthalma, Loligo forbesii, Loligo pickfordi, Loligo vulgaris, Loliolus affinis, Loliolus beka, Loliolus japonica, Loliolus uyii, Lolliguncula brevis, Lolliguncula diomedea, Lolliguncula panamensis, Lycoteuthis lorigera, Lycoteuthis springeri, Magnapinna pacifica, Magnapinna talismani, Magnoteuthis magna, Martialia hyadesi, Mastigopsis hjorti, Mastigoteuthis agassizii, Mastigoteuthis glaukopsis, Megalocranchia maxima,</i></p>
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	<p><i>Megalocranchia oceanica,</i> <i>Mesonychoteuthis hamiltoni,</i> <i>Moroteuthopsis ingens,</i> <i>Narrowteuthis nesisii, Nectoteuthis</i> <i>pourtalesi, Neorossia caroli,</i> <i>Neoteuthis thielei, Nototodarus</i> <i>gouldi, Nototodarus hawaiiensis,</i> <i>Nototodarus sloanii, Octopoteuthis</i> <i>danae, Octopoteuthis deletron,</i> <i>Octopoteuthis Megaptera,</i> <i>Octopoteuthis rugosa, Octopus</i> <i>zonatus, Onychoteuthis</i> <i>borealijaponica, Onykia</i> <i>loennbergii, Onykia robsoni,</i> <i>Onykia robusta, Ornithoteuthis</i> <i>antillarum, Pholidoteuthis adami,</i> <i>Pholidoteuthis boschmai,</i> <i>Pickfordiateuthis pulchella,</i> <i>Planctoteuthis danae,</i> <i>Planctoteuthis exophthalmica,</i> <i>Planctoteuthis lippula,</i> <i>Psychroteuthis glacialis,</i> <i>Pterygioteuthis gemmate,</i> <i>Rondeletiola minor, Rossia bullisi,</i> <i>Rossia macrosoma, Rossia</i> <i>Megaptera, Rossia pacifica, Rossia</i> <i>palpebrosa, Rossia tortugaensis,</i> <i>Selenoteuthis scintillans,</i> <i>Semirossia equalis, Semirossia</i> <i>tenera, Sepiadarium austrinum,</i> <i>Sepiadarium kochi, Sepietta</i> <i>neglecta, Sepietta obscura,</i> <i>Sepietta oweniana, Sepiola affinis,</i> <i>Sepiola atlantica, Sepiola</i> <i>aurantiaca, Sepiola intermedia,</i> <i>Sepiola knudseni, Sepiola ligulate,</i> <i>Sepiola robusta, Sepiola</i> <i>rondeletioid, Sepiola</i> <i>steenstrupiana, Sepioloidea</i> <i>lineolate, Sepioteuthis australis,</i> <i>Sepioteuthis sepioidea, Spirula</i> <i>spirula, Sthenoteuthis Pteropus,</i> <i>Stoloteuthis leucoptera, Taonius</i></p>
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	<i>borealis, Taonius pavo, Tetronychoteuthis dussumieri, Teuthowenia maculata, Teuthowenia megalops, Todarodes angolensis, Todarodes filippovae, Todarodes pacificus, Todarodes sagittatus, Todaropsis eblanae, Uroteuthis sibogae, Walvisteuthis virilis, Watasenia scintillans</i>
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