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QUESTIONNAIRE ON MARINE TURTLE RESOURCES OF THE PACIFIC

Following are some general and some specific questions concerning the marine turtles and the turtle fishery of your area. It would be greatly appreciated if you would answer these to the best of your ability, keeping in mind the fact that we know in advance it will not be possible for any one set of questions to fit the particular circumstances of any one person or any one area. We need all the information we can get, so please feel free to modify the questions to suit your own situation, if this will help. Also, please add any additional information which does not seem to be called for here, but which you think might be of interest. In return for your cooperation, we will send you a report on the general findings of this inquiry and will undertake to refer on to an authority any questions which you may have concerning marine turtles. Please feel free to use the reverse side of the paper or add additional sheets.

- 1. Area covered by this response:
- 2. Name, address and position of reporter:
- 3. Do marine turtles occur in your area? What kinds?

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- 4. Do they nest in your area?
- 5. Indicate any nesting sites of particular importance.
- 6. Any particular concentrations other than around nesting beaches? (Please locate such areas).
- 7. If nesting occurs, is it seasonal?
 When does the season begin?
 When does it end?
 What would you estimate as the peak of the nesting season?
- 8. If no nesting in your area, any knowledge or suspicion of where local turtles go to nest?
- 9. Are there any persons or companies specializing in turtles?
 Can you give either figures or estimates of the volume of their business?
 Any other pertinent information?