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The Committee Secretary Joint Standing Committee of Treaties Department of House of Representatives PO Box 6021 Parliament House, Canberra ACT SUBMISSION No.33

TT 25 & 26 November 2009

## <u>RE: Listing of the Shortfin mako, longfin mako and porbeagle sharks as migratory</u> species under the EPBC Act

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been fishing since I was 5 years old and are angry and frustrated on hearing that I will no longer be able to fish for the above shark species, if the government approves the above named sharks on the list as migratory species under the EPBC Act.

I have been Game Fishing all my life in Victoria and New South Wales, and have also been on charters out of Cairns. The loss of money in the tourism/fishing economy will be devastating, and in return will come loss of jobs. I spend thousands of dollars each year on fishing holidays and equipment. I have only heard of this through our fishing clubs and do not think the public have been fully consulted or the decision having scientific data to back it up. I am a member of the Latrobe Valley Game Fishing Club. I hold a Victorian and New South Wales fishing licenses.

I await your reply.

Regards,

Trevor Jones