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TO: All Contracting Parties; and
Representatives of SC

Dear Colleagues,

Subject: Provisional Agenda and Tentative Timetable – *NAFO Joint Commission-Scientific Council Precautionary Approach Framework Workshop*, 15–16 August in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Further to NAFO/22-135 of 20 May 2022, please find enclosed the provisional agenda and tentative timetable for the *NAFO Joint Commission-Scientific Council Precautionary Approach Framework Workshop* taking place 15–16 August 2022.

In order to facilitate participants' travel arrangements, please find enclosed general information including hotel accommodations and current requirements when travelling to Canada. In particular, all travelers entering Canada must use [ArriveCAN](#) to provide mandatory travel information before entry into Canada and may have to apply for an [Electronic Travel Authorization \(eTA\)](#) (see below). You will need to submit your information within 72 hours before your arrival to Canada.

For logistical purposes, we would appreciate receiving from Contracting Parties the names of delegates planning to participate in the meeting both in-person and virtually.

All relevant meeting documentation will be accessible on the NAFO Meetings SharePoint as it becomes available. We kindly ask your assistance in providing this information to the members of your meeting delegation. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Fred Kingston
Executive Secretary

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Enclosed: Provisional Agenda and Tentative Timetable (01 pgs.); General Information (03 pgs.)

NAFO Joint Commission–Scientific Council Precautionary Approach Framework Workshop

15–16 August
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Provisional Agenda and Program

Day 1 – Morning Session (09:00 – 12:00 hours)

- Opening, introductions, and approval of the agenda
- Summary of recommendations
- Key decisions and alternative PA structures to make to update the NAFO PA

Day 1 – Afternoon session (13:00 – 17:00 hours)

- Discussion Session on PA structure and key decision
- Time to Delegations to study the proposals

Day 2 – Morning Session (09:00 – 12:00 hours)

- Revision of decisions and consensus PA structure

Day 2 – Afternoon session (13:00 – 17:00 hours)

- Drafting of summary PA framework conclusions
- Next steps
- Other matters
- Drafting Workshop conclusions and Closing of the workshop

NAFO Joint Commission–Scientific Council Precautionary Approach Framework Workshop

15–16 August
Halifax, Nova Scotia

General Information

Location

The meeting will be held in downtown Halifax in Nova Scotia, Canada.

WebEx

For those Contracting Parties that are unable to attend the meeting in-person, WebEx capabilities will be provided.

The Secretariat staff will be available for technical support during the meeting. “*Breakout rooms*” will be available for smaller group meetings and/or bilateral consultations, as required.

Hotel Accommodations

In close vicinity to the NAFO Headquarters:

Courtyard by Marriott Halifax Downtown
5120 Salter St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-428-1900

The Hollis Halifax - a DoubleTree Suites
1649 Hollis St, Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-429-7233

Residence Inn by Marriott Halifax Downtown
1599 Grafton St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-422-0493

The Sutton Place Hotel Halifax
1700 Grafton St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-932-7548

Muir, Autograph Collection
1709 Lower Water St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-407-6847

Hampton Inn & Homewood Suites by Hilton
1960 Brunswick Street, Halifax, NS
Ph: (Hampton Inn) +1 902-422-1391
Ph: (Homewood Suites) +1 902-429-6620

Four Points by Sheraton Halifax
1496 Hollis St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-423-4444

Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel
1919 Upper Water St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-421-1700

The Prince George Hotel Halifax
1725 Market St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 800-565-1567

Cambridge Suite Hotel Halifax
1583 Brunswick St., Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-420-0555

The Barrington Hotel
1875 Barrington St, Halifax, NS
Ph: +1 902-429-7410

Hotel reservations are to be made by participants directly with the hotel.

Transportation

Taxi service provided by:

Casino Taxi
Ph: +1 902-425-6666 or +1 902-429-6666
www.casinotaxi.ca

Yellow Cab
Ph: +1 902-420-0000
www.yellowcabhalifax.ca

Public Transportation

Halifax Transit is Halifax's public bus and ferry service provider. For current schedules and fares, visit [Halifax Transit](#).

Tips on travelling to and from the airport:

- It takes about 30-40 minutes to get from the airport to downtown Halifax.
- Take the Metro Regional Express Bus (route #320) for just \$4.25 CAD (exact change or a \$5 bill).
- Head to the lower level of the airport to rent a car. You'll need \$1.25 CAD for the bridge toll (exact change) if you're heading to Halifax via Dartmouth.
- Take a taxi or limo right from the airport to downtown Halifax for \$55.00-\$65.00 CAD.
- Uber is now available in Halifax.
- You can find more information on transportation from the Halifax Airport [here](#).

Dining Options

Downtown Halifax is the urban core of the region, complete with hundreds of food options within walking distance. Check out the [Official Halifax Visitor Guide](#) for ideas and more information.

Tourist information

For additional tourist information, visit www.discoverhalifaxns.com

Travel to Canada: Testing and Borders

COVID-19

Please go to the link below and read prior to travelling to Canada for up-to-date and complete information:

[Travel to Canada: Requirements for COVID-19 vaccinated travellers](#)

To enter Canada as a foreign national you must:

- have received your second dose at least 14 calendar days before you enter Canada
- have no signs or symptoms of COVID-19
- Upload proof of vaccination in ArriveCAN
 - complete your ArriveCAN submission and have ArriveCAN receipt with letter I, V, or A beside your name
 - complete arrival test if selected
- Starting 01 April 2022, pre-entry tests are no longer required for fully vaccinated travellers entering Canada by land, air or water. You must still use ArriveCAN within 72 hours before your arrival to Canada.

Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)

- Most travellers need a visa or an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to, or transit through, a Canadian airport. The eTA can be completed online and costs CAD \$7.00. You can find more information about applying for an eTA here.