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Extension of the Pilot Project Observer Scheme  
and Terms of Reference for STACTIC

1. The Pilot Project Observer Scheme, as found in NAFO/FC Doc. 93/7, be extended to December 31, 1994.
2. The Fisheries Commission requests that STACTIC conduct a full review of the program at the time of the September 1994 annual meeting with the following terms of reference:
  - a) Assess the effectiveness and costs of the program
  - b) Evaluate any administrative or operational problems associated with the program.
  - c) Provide advice/recommendations to the Fisheries Commission on the appropriateness of including an Observer Scheme in the NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures.
  - d) Provide advice or recommendations on the necessary elements of any future program including advice on specific fisheries to be targeted.
3. In order to provide STACTIC with the necessary information to carry out its mandate, Contracting Parties participating in the program in 1993 and 1994 shall provide the following to the Executive Secretary by September 1, 1994:
  - a) Observer days by fishery per month per division.
  - b) Number of incidents of apparent infringements reported by type and results of any follow-up investigations.
  - c) Any trends in improvements to or decreases in compliance with NAFO conservation measures.
  - d) Times and locations of presence of small fish.
  - e) Times and locations and types of discards.
  - f) Any information on mis-reported species.
  - g) Types of biological data collected
  - h) Details of logistical problems in deploying observers.
  - i) Cost per observer per sea day.
  - j) Cost of deployment of observers
  - k) Administrative costs.
  - l) Any relevant information on threats to conservation uncovered by the program.