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Management Measures for Cod in Div. 2J3KL for 2000

E. Other Measures – No Directed Fishery for Cod in Div. L in the Regulatory Area

Noting differences that have been expressed on the subject of 2J3KL cod by Contracting Parties;

Noting the need to avoid prejudice to the legal position of any Contracting Party on this subject;

Noting the provisions of Article XI (3) of the NAFO Convention, which aim at ensuring consistency between the measures established for the Regulatory Area and the measures adopted by the relevant coastal State;

Noting that the advice from the Scientific Council strongly suggests a continuation of the moratorium for the entire stock;

Directed fisheries for cod in Division 3L in the Regulatory Area shall not be permitted in 2000.

Contracting Parties other than Canada expressed their serious concern that management measures for this stock may not be consistent throughout its range in the Convention Area in the year 2000.