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Report of the General Council

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- 1. The <u>Chairman of the General Council</u>, Mr. K. Hoydal (Denmark on behalf of the Faroes and Greenland) opened the meeting at 1020 and gave a brief address on the difficult times which were being suffered in the main fisheries of NAFO.
- 2. <u>The Chairman</u> then addressed what the Council would certainly consider the sad duty of <u>mourning the death of Mr. L. Day</u> who had been Executive Secretary for many years in ICNAF until its end in 1979 and during 1979-80 in NAFO. A moment of silence was kept by the whole Council standing in respectful homage.
- 3. <u>The Chairman then proposed</u> that the <u>Executive Secretary</u> be <u>nominated</u> Rapporteur which was agreed.
- 4. Before proposing the adoption of the Agenda, <u>the Chairman invited the</u> representatives present to address the Council for any general observations which they would wish to draw. (See List of Participants - Appendix 1)
- 5. <u>The delegate of Canada saluted all delegations present and referred to the</u> <u>difficult problems affecting the fisheries</u> of the region. There were serious reductions in stocks like 3NO cod and the two stocks of Redfish in the Regulatory Area. 3LNO American plaice and Yellowtail flounder were reduced to historically low levels. Fishing for cod in 3M was still subject to a ban, even though some vessels seemed to ignore that restriction. NAFO must seek innovative solutions to deal with that.
- 6. <u>The problem of fishing by Non-Member</u> countries was serious and continued to develop. Last estimations resulted in values of 35,000 tons of important species in that area being harvested during the year. It was particularly worrisome that as catch rates declined and fisheries became less viable, vessels of non-member countries shifted their efforts to other stocks.
- 7. It was pleasant to report <u>important developments in the relations of Canada</u> and the EEC. They had had very important exchanges of views from which three important working groups had been created:
  - 1. Scientific Cooperation
  - 2. Surveillance and Control
  - 3. Non-Contracting Parties Activities

Canada hoped that during the meeting it would be possible to report further on the work of those groups. It was to be expected that some of that work would be taken up by NAFO.

- 8. Scientific advice by an independent panel had been received by Canada regarding the status of the 2J3KL cod stock. That advice was provided to NAFO scientists in June. The report recommended unequivocally drastic steps to save the stocks from further decline. In spite of all known difficulties and painful restrictions, Canada was committed to the rebuilding of the stock, would expect the cooperation of all NAFO members in that effort and it would seek the <u>continuation of the moratorium in 3L</u> Cod in the Regulatory Area during 1991.
- 9. Finally the <u>delegate of Canada was glad to invite all other delegations</u> to a reception that night, hosted by Canada.
- 10. The Chairman then proposed the <u>adoption of the Agenda</u> (see Appendix 2) which was agreed.
- 11. He then <u>addressed the observers of the USA</u> who were extended the welcome of the Council.
- 12. The Chairman then declared that at <u>1330 the Heads of Delegations were</u> called to meet in order to decide about a telephoned request of Greenpeace to be admitted as an observer.
- 13. It was then decided to deal with Publicity in the traditional manner.
- 14. The Chairman then gave the floor to the <u>Chairman of the Working Group on</u> <u>Non-Contracting Party Fishing Activity who presented the Report</u> of that Working Group (see Appendix 3).
- 15. <u>The Chairman thanked</u> the Chairman of the Working Group and proposed that, in order that the Council would have time to study the report, it would be placed again before the Council on Friday. This was agreed.
- 16. <u>The Chairman called the attention</u> of the Council to the exchange of letters with the Under-Secretary General of the United Nations on information on large scale pelagic driftnet fishery - Resolution 44/225.
- 17. The <u>delegate of Canada</u> suggested that STACTIC should examine this correspondence and then report back to the General Council.
- 18. <u>The Chairman, coming to item 8 of the Agenda</u>, requested the approval of the Council of Proceedings of the 10th and 11th Annual Meetings, September 1988 and 1989, which were approved.
- 19. The Chairman placed before the Council the consideration of a new Rule of <u>Procedure on approval of Proceedings</u> of the General Council. <u>The delegate</u> <u>of Denmark (in respect of Faroes and Greenland)</u> thought the idea was not practical, but suggested that it should be presented to STACFAD so that they could appreciate the proposed procedure. This was agreed.
- 20. The Chairman then proposed that items 10, 11, 13, 14 to 18 of the Agenda be also forwarded to STACFAD for an opinion.
- 21. On the matter of the <u>Selection of a New Executive Secretary</u>, the Chairman informed the Council that the Nominating Committee was in the process of finalizing the decision and had hopes of presenting one, late Thursday. Friday the final decision should be made.

- 22. The head of the delegation of the EEC asked for the floor to state that unfortunately he had not been present when the head of the delegation of Canada had made his declaration on the new found position of collaboration between the two delegations in several spheres of activity concerning fisheries. He just wished to confirm the newly found good cooperation between the two delegations and the sincere wish his delegation had to progress with the cooperation in the belief that everybody would gain from the new relationship.
- 23. The Chairman stated that he was happy that for the time being the Agenda had been considered from top to bottom and reminded the delegations that the meeting of heads of delegations would be called to order at 1330.

The meeting was adjourned at 1150.

- 24. <u>The Chairman started the meeting on the morning of Friday by welcoming the</u> presence of the observer from Mexico.
- 25. He then thanked the delegation of Canada for the pleasant reception offered on Tuesday evening and the delegation of the EEC for the reception on the inspection vessel "Eithna" on Wednesday evening.
- 26. Returning to the subject of <u>threats to Conservation due to Non-Member</u> <u>Activities in the Regulatory Area</u>, the Chairman reported that a lot of work had been going on and some proposals were to be placed before the Council (GC Docs. 90/8 and 90/9)
- 27. The <u>delegate of the EEC</u>, introducing GC Doc. 90/8, recalled the efforts made by NAFO trying to find a practical satisfactory solution to that difficult problem. In fact Canada, the EEC and the USSR were associated as sponsors of a Resolution dealing with that serious threat to the stocks in the Regulatory Area, proposed to be adopted by the General Council.
- 28. The Resolution, in spite of its importance, did not resolve the problem. It was nevertheless a serious effort to lay the foundations to restricting to the maximum those activities and containing their results. NAFO members should proceed carefully with a view to the overall possible legal and political implications and to the international obligations that Contracting Parties were to adhere to.

It was proposed that the Resolution be immediately adopted by the Council, and that the practical implications be dealt with as soon as possible by the Committee replacing the working party which had been proposed last year and had had a first meeting in March at the NAFO Headquarters.

- 29. The <u>delegate of the EEC</u> explained that the other paper (GC Doc. 90/9) set down the terms of reference for the new Standing Committee which was to replace the previous working group. It was also proposed that the General Council would approve that paper.
- 30. The <u>delegate of Poland</u> proposed that the 5th paragraph of the Resolution be amended by adding that NAFO was open to the access of any other countries or parties.
- 31. The <u>delegate of Canada</u> suggested that the proposed text was the result of careful consideration by many Contracting Parties and consequently any amendments could not be accepted without prolonged analysis.

- 32. The <u>Chairman</u> stated that, as it was a fact that NAFO was open to the access of other parties, and that the proposal as it stood was the result of a consensus, he would ask the delegate of Poland if he could accept the text as it was. The <u>delegate of Poland</u> accepted that point of view.
- 33. The <u>delegate of Canada</u> proposed that the first meeting of the new Standing Committee take place before the 15th December, the precise date to be agreed through diplomatic channels. He further suggested that at that meeting the Committee would elect its first chairperson and invited the Committee to have that first meeting in Halifax.

The <u>Chairman</u> ruled that it was so agreed and thanked the delegate of Canada for the invitation.

- 34. The <u>delegate of Cuba</u> declared that he had waited for the unanimous agreement just obtained, because the head of his delegation felt that he was not in a position to fully support it without further consultations which were not possible within the time available. The delegation was certainly not against the agreed text and it did not even desire to abstain. It just wished to declare that as soon as it would arrive in Cuba, if any particular point would have to be made, would take the liberty of making it then.
  - The <u>delegate of Japan</u> lamented that his delegation had not been given sufficient opportunity and time to have its thoughts reflected in such an important Resolution. He had noted that the Resolution had been very carefully phrased, but his country might have international obligations which might make it very difficult to agree fully with the approved text. He certainly did not wish to open an argument at such a late stage. He just wished to place on record that without any attempt to introduce amendments, Japan's acquiescence was without prejudice to its basic position with respect to international law and practices, including international agreements, to which Japan was party.
- 35. The <u>Chairman</u> then concluded that the record would show that the Resolution (GC Doc. 90/8) and the formation of the Standing Committee STACFAC (GC Doc. 90/9) had been approved and the invitation for its first meeting in Halifax had been accepted and thanked and the interventions of Cuba and Japan had been noted and recorded.
- 36. The <u>delegate of the USSR</u> stated that the USSR had become co-author of the Resolution even though its country shared the concern of other countries regarding the problem. He would not like to introduce any alteration to the document which had taken so long to be prepared. He believed however that there might be three words that could be inserted with advantage to all NAFO parties, as they were part of the NAFO Convention. He proposed to add to the last paragraph of the Preamble and also in paragraphs 1 and 2, instead of just the word "conservation", the words "optimum utilization, rational management and conservation".
- 37. The <u>Chairman</u> suggested that he would like to maintain his previous ruling: the General Council had adopted the Resolution and the formation of the Standing Committee and the interventions of Poland, Cuba, Japan and the USSR had been noted and properly recorded. He asked whether that was acceptable. That was agreed.

- 38. The <u>Chairman</u> explained that the Fisheries Commission had received information from STACTIC on <u>the matter of large scale pelagic drift nets</u>. He suggested that the Council subscribe to the recommendation from STACTIC which gave instruction for the Executive Secretary to handle that matter. That was agreed.
- 39. The <u>Chairman</u> addressed the last of the Agenda items which had been referred to STACFAD. He gave the floor to the <u>Chairperson of STACFAD</u> who had been elected unanimously to the chair at the commencement of its proceedings and who presented a summary report of that Standing Committee. The <u>full</u> report is <u>appended</u> (Appendix 4).

The Chairman thanked the Chairperson for her presentation and all the Committee for its hard work and opened the discussion of the Report.

40. The <u>delegate of Denmark (on behalf of the Faroes and Greenland</u>) remarked that Staff Rules had been in the Agenda for the last five years. It was regrettable that NAFO had not been able to deal with the matter over such a long period. He doubted the wisdom of expecting STACFAD and afterwards the General Council to approve all the rules dealing with all the details. Another wiser way would be to allow the Executive Secretary to determine all Staff Rules which did not have financial implications. Only those Rules having financial implications would be subject to the appreciation of STACFAD and approval of the General Council.

He suggested that point 35, at the bottom of page 28 of the STACFAD Report, should not be adopted by the General Council and in its place the General Council would request STACFAD to come up with final proposals at the next annual meeting with respect to Staff Rules, while the rules without financial implications be elaborated by the Executive Secretary.

- 41. The <u>delegate of the USSR</u> proposed that the report be adopted. He referred to the mention of the 1993 meeting in the report and stated that the USSR was still interested in organizing the meeting of that year in the USSR, although it was still too early to put forward the invitation. He would like simply to inform the Council that the invitation would come in due time.
- 42. The <u>delegate of the EEC</u> regretted that it was still not possible to adopt the Staff Rules at the present meeting because he felt that there had been a lot of work invested in the proposed Staff Rules over the past years and it was felt that a very valuable draft had been presented to STACFAD. The Community wished to underline that an adoption at the next meeting should be possible.
- 43. The <u>Chairman</u> concluded that the Council had adopted the STACFAD report with its recommendations. Agenda items 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14 had thus been cleared. It had considered the Staff Rules under item 15, with a strong indication that the matter had to be finished at the next Annual Meeting. Agenda items 16, 17 and 18 had also been approved.

- 44. The <u>Chairman</u> then reported on the <u>Selection of a New Executive Secretary</u>, Agenda item 12. The procedure determined by the General Council had been followed; the Committee, formed as it was determined, had received 10 applications and had met several times. It had been difficult to decide as most applications were of high standard. Finally they were in a position to recommend Dr. Shepel to be chosen to be the next Executive Secretary. This was agreed by acclamation.
- The Chairman then gave the floor to <u>Dr. Shepel</u> who was congratulated by the Chairman.
- 45. <u>Dr. Shepel</u> thanked the General Council. His being chosen was a great honour and a great responsibility. Honesty, diligence and the principles of equity would guide him. The Council had credited him by choosing him and he would repay it with hard work and trying for perfection in that work.
- 46. The <u>Chairman</u> called the attention of the Council to the fact that the present meeting would be the last Annual Meeting under the responsibility and authority of the present Executive Secretary, Captain Cardoso. There would still be some months during which he would be responsible for the running of the Secretariat and in charge of the functioning of NAFO. One of Capt. Cardoso's last duties would be to introduce the new Executive Secretary to his duties in NAFO.

His recollection of Capt. Cardoso went quite a long time back; he remembered in the early 70s when the Parties really started to recognize in NEAFC and ICNAF that Portugal had a very good spokesman and head of delegation who always spoke very forcefully for the interests of his country, always made a great impression and he could assure the Council that Cardoso was never dull and that was the least one could say about Cardoso. The Captain had been NAFO Secretary practically all the time since NAFO had existed, so really his history of NAFO was NAFO's history.

The Chairman revealed that all Contracting Parties had agreed between themselves in the Council that they would show a small token of gratitude by presenting a gift to the Executive Secretary.

The gift was brought with a bouquet of flowers and the applause of all present.

The Chairman wished the Executive Secretary on behalf of NAFO a very happy retirement and all good luck in the future.

47. The Executive Secretary started by saying that if it were true that he used to speak very easily and freely, at that moment he was under a certain difficulty. The first person that came to his mind was Lew Day. The one that had been in the same position of Executive Secretary before him. He wished to remember Day because all that he, Cardoso, did as Executive Secretary, he learned with Mr. Day and kept with it always. Unfortunately that friend had passed away. Lew Day was a person who was practical and simple and right. He, Cardoso, tried to follow the same steps. It had been difficult, very difficult, because everybody was aware that unfortunately in the last 10 years a hard fight had been on. The Executive Secretary was so glad that finally that fight was over. It should have been over a long time before so that he could have shined. In the past he always was displeasing somebody. But he could not have done otherwise, because one, like him or Lew Day, had to stay in the middle, friends with everybody, though not pleasing everybody.

He was very touched by the gift and he certainly wished everybody all the best. And he would certainly implore for Heaven's sake everyone to continue to try and agree, although defending like mad one's interests. He terminated with his thanks.

- 48. The <u>Chairman</u> declared that the <u>Press Release</u> would be handled as usual (Appendix 5). There was no <u>Other Business</u>.
- 49. The <u>Chairman</u> decided to close the meeting by wishing everybody happiness. The <u>delegate of Canada</u> responded by praising the Chairman's fine sense of timing and efficiency, looking forward to the opportunity of future meetings. The meeting was adjourned at 1240.

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## Appendix 2

#### 12th Annual Meeting of NAFO Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada 5-14 September 1990

#### General Council

#### Agenda

#### OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1. Opening by Chairman, K. Hoydal (Denmark in respect of Faroes and Greenland)
- 2. Appointment of Rapporteur
- 3. Adoption of Agenda
- Admission of Observers:
  - a) Permanent invitations
     b) Application by Greenpeace International (See item 20 of GC Doc. 89/4, Revised)
- 5. Publicity

#### SUPERVISION AND COORDINATION OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS

- 6. Threats to Conservation in the Regulatory Area-Report of the Working Group on Non-Contracting Party Fishing Activity (See GC Doc. 90/6 and items 21 to 28 and Appendix 7, also itmes 37 to 43 and Appendix 10, all of GC Doc. 89/4, Revised)
- Request from the Under-Secretary General of the United Nations on information on largescale pelagic driftnet fishing-Resolution 44/225 of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (See exchange of letters appended to Note 1 to this Appendix)

## ADMINISTRATION

- Approval of Proceedings of 10th and 11th Annual Meetings, September 1988 and 1989 (See GC Doc. 89/4, Revised, items 14 to 16)
- 9. New Rule of Procedure on approval of Proceedings of meetings of the General Council (See GC Doc. 89/4, Revised, items 14 to 16 and Note 2 to this Appendix)
- 10. Review of Membership:
  - a) General Council (There are no alterations)
  - b) Fisheries Commission (There are no alterations. See item 29 of GC Doc. 89/4, Revised and item 4 of Appendix 8 to the same Document)
- 11. Administrative Report
- 12. Selection of New Executive Secretary

#### FINANCE

- 13. Auditor's Report
- 14. Meeting of the Pension Society
- 15. Staff Rules
- 16. Review of Meeting Dates and Date of Annual Meeting (See the 6 final paragraphs of item 32 of GC Doc. 89/4, Revised and item 4 of its Appendix)

17. Report of STACFAD

## CLOSING PROCEDURES

- 18. Time and Place of Next Meeting
- 19. Other Business
- 20. Press Statement
- 21. Adjournment

Notes to the General Council Agenda by the Executive Secretary

## NOTE 1

An exchange of letters between the Under-Secretary General of the United Nations and the Executive Secretary of NAFO makes clear what information was required (see attached letters).

Large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing is the concern, but this type of fishing does not take place in the Regulatory Area and therefore has never been regulated by NAFO, or ICNAF previously.

In any case, quite a few regional fisheries organizations apart from NAFO will not meet before July 1990, so that they also will be unable to reply officially that early.

## NOTE 2

It is proposed for consideration by the General Council that:

- 1) Present Rule 8.3 be designated Rule 8.3.a.
- 2) A New Rule 8.3.b be added, reading:

"Summary records of the proceedings of an annual meeting are to be presented for general approval at the next annual meeting. Exceptionally and only in relation to its own statements and interventions, a Contracting Party may request additional time to amend them, in which case its amending instructions must reach the Executive Secretary within 90 days counted from the last day of the meeting and final approval will take place at the next annual meeting."

It is felt that this procedure should be considered exceptional as, even if it only applies to one's own statements, forces the approval of the Report to be delayed one year so that ample time is given to all other Contracting Parties to study the newly introduced amendments.



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## 10 April 1990

Mr. Satya N. Nandan Under-Secretary-General Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Law of the Sea Office for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea United Nations N.Y. 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Nandan:

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter of 22 March 1990 informing NAFO of the Resolution 44/225 on large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing, adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 1989, and enclosing copy of that Resolution.

I cannot let you know the reply of NAFO by July 1990 because the matter has to be placed before the Fisheries Commission and the reply decided by the General Council, bodies which will only have an opportunity to consider this matter at the annual meeting which will take place only in September.

For the moment I can only inform you that pelagic driftnet fishing does not take place in the Regulatory Area of NAFO and therefore we do not have to control it.

I also do not think that it exists within the fishing zone of Canada, but in any case management rules within that zone, which is in the Convention Area, are under the jurisdiction of Canada and therefore NAFO is not being addressed in this respect. As other international fisheries organizations might also find it impossible to respond to your important requests before July 1990, and in any case, following the internal rules of this Organization, I will propose to the respective Chairmen to include, in the Agenda of the annual meetings of the Fisheries Commission and the General Council, the consideration of the General Assembly request.

Yours sincerely,

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J. C. Esteves Cardoso (Capt.) Executive Secretary

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22 March 1990

## Dear Mr. Cardoso:

I wish to refer to resolution 44/225 on large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impacts on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas adopted by the General Assembly on 22 December 1989 (copy of which is attached).

Operative paragraph 6 of this resolution:

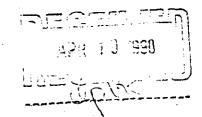
"<u>Requests</u> specialized agencies, particularly the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, as well as the various regional and subregional fisheries organizations, to study urgently large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impacts on the living marine resources and to report their views to the Secretary-General;"

Accordingly, I wish to draw your attention to the request of the General Assembly. Should NAFO wish to submit its views on the subject to the Secretary-General these should be conveyed before July 1990 so that they can be taken into account in the preparation of the report which the Secretary-General will submit to the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

Yours sincerely,

Satya N. Nandan Under-Secretary-General Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Law of the Sea Office for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

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## RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[on the report of the Second Committee (A/44/745/Add.7)]

44/225. Large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas

The General Assembly,

Noting that many countries are disturbed by the increase in the use of large-scale pelagic driftnets, which can reach or exceed 30 miles (48 kilcmetres) in total length, to catch living marine resources on the high seas of the world's oceans and seas,

<u>Mindful</u> that large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing, a method of fishing with a net or a combination of nets intended to be held in a more or less vertical position by floats and weights, the purpose of which is to enmesh fish by drifting on the surface of or in the water, can be a highly indiscriminate and wasteful fishing method that is widely considered to threaten the effective conservation of living marine resources, such as highly migratory and anadromous species of fish, birds and marine mammals,

Drawing attention to the fact that the present resolution does not address the question of small-scale driftnet fishing traditionally conducted in coastal waters, especially by developing countries, which provides an important contribution to their subsistence and economic development,

Expressing concern that, in addition to targeted species of fish, non-targeted fish, marine mammals, seabirds and other living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas can become entangled in large-scale pelagic driftnets, either in those in active use or in those that are lost or discarded, and as a result of such entanglement are often either injured or killed,

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Recognizing that more than one thousand fishing vessels use large-scale pelagic driftnets in the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian Oceans and in other areas of the high seas,

<u>Recognizing also</u> that any regulatory measure to be taken for the conservation and management of living marine resources should take account of the best available scientific data and analysis,

<u>Recalling</u> the relevant principles elaborated in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1/

Affirming that, in accordance with the relevant articles of the Convention, all members of the international community have a duty to co-operate globally and regionally in the conservation and management of living resources on the high seas, and a duty to take, or to co-operate with others in taking, such measures for their nationals as may be necessary for the conservation of those resources,

<u>Recalling</u> that, in accordance with the relevant articles of the Convention, it is the responsibility of all members of the international community to ensure the conservation and management of living marine resources and the protection and preservation of the living marine environment within their exclusive economic zones,

Noting the serious concern, particularly among coastal States and States with fishing interests, that the overexploitation of living marine resources of the high seas adjacent to the exclusive economic zones of coastal States is likely to have an adverse impact on the same resources within such zones, and noting also, in this regard, the responsibility for co-operation in accordance with the relevant articles of the Convention,

<u>Noting further</u> that the countries of the South Pacific Forum and the South Pacific Commission, in recognition of the importance of living marine resources to the people of the South Pacific region, have called for a cessation of such fishing in the South Pacific and the implementation of effective management programmes,

<u>Taking note</u> of the adoption of the Tarawa Declaration on this subject by the Twentieth South Pacific Forum at Tarawa, Kiribati, on 11 July 1989 2/ and the adoption by South Pacific States and territories of the Convention on the Prohibition of Driftnet Fishing in the South Pacific, at Wellington on 24 November 1989, 3/

1/ Official Records of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, vol. XVII (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.84.V.3), document A/CONF.62/122.

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2/ See A/44/463, annex.

3/ See A/44/807.

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Noting that some members of the international community have entered into co-operative enforcement and monitoring programmes for the immediate evaluation of the impact of large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing,

<u>Recognizing</u> that some members of the international community have taken steps to reduce their driftnet operations in some regions in response to regional concerns,

1. <u>Calls upon</u> all members of the international community, particularly those with fishing interests, to strengthen their co-operation in the conservation and management of living marine resources;

2. <u>Calls upon</u> all those involved in large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing to co-operate fully with the international community, and especially with coastal States and the relevant international and regional organizations. in the enhanced collection and sharing of statistically sound scientific data in order to continue to assess the impact of such fishing methods and to secure conservation of the world's living marine resources;

3. <u>Recommends</u> that all interested members of the international community, particularly within regional organizations, continue to consider and, by 30 June 1991, review the best available scientific data on the impact of large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and agree upon further co-operative regulation and monitoring measures, as needed;

4. <u>Also recommends</u> that all members of the international community, bearing in mind the special role of regional organizations and regional and bilateral co-operation in the conservation and management of living marine resources as reflected in the relevant articles of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, agree to the following measures:

(a) Moratoria should be imposed on all large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing by 30 June 1992, with the understanding that such a measure will not be imposed in a region or, if implemented, can be lifted, should effective conservation and management measures be taken based upon statistically sound analysis to be jointly made by concerned parties of the international community with an interest in the fishery resources of the region, to prevent unacceptable impact of such fishing practices on that region and to ensure the conservation of the living marine resources of that region;

 $(\underline{b})$  Immediate action should be taken to reduce progressively large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing activities in the South Pacific region with a view to the cessation of such activities by 1 July 1991, as an interim measure, until appropriate conservation and management arrangements for South Pacific albacore tuna resources are entered into by the parties concerned;

(<u>c</u>) Further expansion of large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing on the high seas of the North Pacific and all the other high seas outside the Pacific Ocean should cease immediately, with the understanding that this measure will be reviewed subject to the conditions in paragraph 4 (<u>a</u>) of the present resolution;

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5. Encourages those coastal countries which have exclusive economic zones adjacent to the high seas to take appropriate measures and to co-operate in the collection and submission of scientific information on driftnet fishing in their own exclusive economic zones, taking into account the measures taken for the conservation of living marine resources of the high seas;

6. <u>Requests</u> specialized agencies, particularly the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and other appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, as well as the various regional and subregional fisheries organizations, urgently to study large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impact on living marine resources and to report their views to the Secretary-General;

7. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-Ceneral to bring the present resolution to the attention of all members of the international community, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, and well-established scientific institutions with expertise in relation to living marine resources;

8. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

85th plenary meeting 22 December 1989

## Appendix 3

## Presentation to the General Council of the Report of the NAFO Working Group on Non-Contracting Parties Fishing Activities

by

## Orlando Muniz, Chairman of the Working Group

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Working Group on Non-Contracting Parties Fishing Activities met from the 27th to the 29th of March of this year at the NAFO headquarters in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, with the participation of representatives of Canada, Cuba, Denmark (in respect of the Faroe Islands and Greenland), the EEC and the USSR.

First of all, I would like to avail myself of this opportunity to reaffirm my sincere thanks to all members of the Working Group and to the NAFO Secretariat for their collaboration. In particular, I wish to express my deep appreciation to Capt. Esteves Cardoso and Mr. Robert J. Prier, for their valuable assistance throughout the meeting.

In forwarding to the General Council the report of the Working Group, together with other documents directly related to its subject, I would like to underline the following points:

Our mandate called for the examination and presentation to the General Council of possible options on how to deal with the serious threat which the fishing activity of Non-Contracting Parties represents for the goals and purposes of NAFO.

This objective was realized: GC Doc. 90/6 contains a detailed report of our deliberations, as well as what we consider valuable comments and suggestions put forward by the representatives of all the Contracting Parties present. Also, in GC Doc. 90/3 and 90/4, you will find not one but two lists of possible options, presented by Canada and the European Economic Community, respectively.

Unfortunately, neither document may be placed before this Council as a recommendation of the Working Group.

In our opinion, this must not be seen as a failure of the Group's work, but rather as a clear demonstration of the essential complexity of the problem, the diversity of variables to be taken into consideration and, above all, the necessity of preliminary consultations at the highest level between Contracting Parties.

These consultations should attempt to identify both, irreconcilable differences as well as points of possible agreement and coincidence of views. Only then will the work of this Group (or of any other entity which should take up this task) result in options, agreed to by all Parties, that can be submitted for the consideration and approval of the General Council.

Finally, we hope that the report of the Working Group and the occasion of the present Annual Meeting could prove to be the basic tool and the opportunity for such consultations and much needed results.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

## Appendix 4

Draft Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration (STACFAD)

Monday,	10	September	1990	-	1500-1750		
Tuesday,	11		••	-	0900-1000	and	1430-1715
Wednesday,	12	••	11	-	1430-1530		
Thursday,	13	. 11	PT	-	1000-1015	and	1415-1530

#### Opening by NAFO Chairman

1. In the absence of the Chairman of STACFAD, Mr. M. Ibbotson (EEC), who had communicated that he could no longer serve with the Committee, Mr. K. Hoydal, Chairman of the General Council, took the chair to open the proceedings and move the election of a new chairman.

2. The following Contracting Parties were present: Canada, Denmark (on behalf of the Faroes and Greenland), EEC, Japan, Norway, Poland and USSR, as well as the Executive Secretary with two members of the Secretariat. All participants are listed in Annex 1.

## Election of Chairman

3. After ascertaining that the EEC was not in a position to offer anyone for election as Chairman, Mr. K. Hoydal called on the participants of Contracting Parties to propose a chairperson for STACFAD. The delegate of Norway proposed Debbie Gill of Canada who was elected unanimously.

#### Appointment of Rapporteur

4. The Chairperson proposed the appointment of a Rapporteur. The delegate of Norway proposed the Executive Secretary who was appointed Rapporteur.

## Adoption of Agenda

5. The Provisional Agenda as circulated was adopted (Annex 2), having been approved unanimously with the understanding that items 11 to 14 inclusive would be dealt with later in the proceedings.

## Review of Membership

6. It was recognized that no alterations had taken place.

### Auditors' Report

7. STACFAD reviewed the Auditors' Report.

Poland and Canada asked for clarification on important differences in the expenditures in salaries in 1988.

The differences were explained by the Secretariat. STACFAD recommended that the Report and associated financial statements for 1989 be approved.

## Auditors' Remarks

8. After that the Chairperson directed the attention of the Committee to the letter addressed by the Auditors on 27 June 1990 to the Executive Secretary (Annex 3) touching upon accounting policies and upon interest revenue. It was agreed that all questions of interest revenue should be referred to the Executive Secretary.

## Accounting Policies

9. The delegate of the USSR suggested that NAFO should study international accounting standards as suggested by the auditors.

The adviser from Canada indicated functional international accounting standards were in the process of being developed and that such a process required continuous study and further development.

## Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts Receivable

10. The Auditors recommended that an allowance be set up at the end of each year for those accounts that are one or more payments in arrears and that recommendation was adopted by STACFAD.

## Recording of Ex-gratia grant

11. The Executive Secretary explained that the *ex-gratia* grant received from the Province of Nova Scotia was an amount which could be refused at any time. He also explained that the recommendation of the Auditors, that the payment be set up as an account receivable would be difficult to follow because the Secretariat could not calculate individual income tax returns and apply that amount in the current year.

12. The adviser from Canada suggested that the Executive Secretary write to the appropriate authorities within the Province of Nova Scotia using the 1989 Auditors report as the vehicle to secure the payment of the ex-gratia grant and in attempting to obtain the assurance that the grant would be ongoing. He also suggested that the Executive Secretary apply before the Annual Meeting, each year, for the ex gratia grant for the previous years.

## Meeting of the Pension Society

- 13. The Chairperson asked the Executive Secretary to elaborate on the high deficit of NAFO corresponding to past service liability. The Executive Secretary explained that considerable monies could be saved if the amount were paid in less than the amortized period of 9 years.
- 14. The Polish representative asked that more detailed information be presented to STACFAD before any decision could be taken on the subject.

The adviser from Canada also requested more detailed information be made available before the 1991 Annual Meeting and STACFAD recommended that the present system of payments be maintained in the interim.

## Staff Rules

- 15. The discussion centered upon the issue that the current revised proposals were placed before STACFAD only at the meeting and there was insufficient time to analyze the issues. Canada suggested that a decision on Staff Rules be deferred so that the incoming Executive Secretary would have an opportunity to review the rules. The Chairperson felt that time was needed by STACFAD to study the Staff Rules and to allow the Executive Secretary to circulate a paper showing costs.
- 16. The Executive Secretary pointed out that Staff Rules have been on the STACFAD agenda for 5 years and have changed greatly from the first draft which was based on other International Organizations. Those rules were not acceptable because of costs. Therefore, the present Staff Rules were based on national rules and those proposed by the former Chairman of STACFAD, Mr. M. Ibbotson.
- 17. The adviser from Canada thanked the Executive Secretary for the explanation and also for his efforts in formulating Staff Rules but felt that more time was required to study those rules.
- 18. The Executive Secretary explained that most items in the Staff Rules did not involve any financial obligations to Contracting Parties and hoped that the rules would be looked at during the meeting rather than deferred once again.
- 19. The delegates of the USSR and Poland and the adviser from Canada asked what the cost implications would be for Contracting Parties.
- 20. The Executive Secretary explained that Rule 10.4 was the only rule with cost implications and that the costs would be circulated to the members of STACFAD.
- 21. The delegate of EEC asked if the staff were in agreement with the Staff Rules in Working Paper 90/2. The Executive Secretary stated that the staff of the Secretariat were in agreement with Working Paper 90/2.
- 22. The delegate of Norway concluded that only Working Paper 90/1 and 90/2 were pertinent to the discussions and suggested that the item be deferred until costs were presented.

- 23. The delegate of Denmark (in respect of the Faroes and Greenland) pointed out that the main concerns of STACFAD should be the items containing cost implications and that every rule did not have to be discussed in great detail.
- 24. Further discussion on the item of Staff Rules was deferred to a later meeting of STACFAD.
- 25. At a further meeting on the subject of Staff Rules, the adviser from Canada stated that time was required to study Staff Rules and the rules should have been distributed at least 3 months in advance of the meeting.
- 26. The delegate from the USSR felt that it was not imperative to approve immediately the Staff Rules.
- 27. The delegate of Poland suggested that the rules be deferred to the next meeting.
- 28. The delegate of the EEC suggested that STACFAD discuss only the rules that had financial implications and try to reach a decision during the meeting.
- 29. The Executive Secretary pointed out that the rules had been deferred on four occasions and that the Committee should at least try to discuss the rules.
- 30. The delegate of Poland requested comparison of the proposed NAFO Staff Rules with those of other International Organizations and of the host country Canada.
- 31. The adviser from Canada agreed to submit the relevant Government of Canada Benefit information to the Executive Secretary, for circulation to Contracting Parties.
- 32. The delegate of the EEC felt that it would be following the wrong approach and noted that such procedures had taken place in the past. He felt that steps to resolve the Staff Rules should be taken immediately or else NAFO would never have Staff Rules as the same procedure would be repeated in the future.
- 33. Canada supported by Poland and the USSR proposed that the item on Staff Rules be deferred until the comparisons were completed and circulated by 1 December 1990.
- 34. The delegate of EEC requested that it be noted in the minutes that further deferral of the proposals presently before STACFAD was unsatisfactory. The Committee had worked hard over successive years to develop the Staff Rules, the framework of which appeared to be satisfactory to all parties. The EEC delegate remarked that in the interests of NAFO, STACFAD had a duty to provide the staff of the organization with a clear statement of their employment position through the recommendation for the adoption of Staff Rules to the General Council of the 12th Annual Meeting.
- 35. After the Chairperson returned to the discussion of Staff Rules, the Executive Secretary requested that STACFAD vote on a proposal relative to Staff Rules (see Annex 4, revised). The proposal requested all Contracting Parties approve or reject the new Staff Rules by 30 November, without altering the budget for 1991.

36. Following a lengthy discussion, STACFAD agreed by consensus with the proposal made earlier in the meeting, to approve a final form of the Staff Rules at the 13th Annual Meeting.

## Review of Accumulated Surplus Account

- 37. It was agreed that in accordance with a recommendation adopted by the General Council during the 11th Annual Meeting in 1989, STACFAD <u>recommended</u> that the minimum balance in the Accumulated Surplus Account should be maintained at \$75,000 for 1991.
- 38. It was suggested that the Executive Secretary should approach without delay the Contracting Parties having outstanding debts, regarding their intention to pay. The delegate from Poland stated that payment from his country would be processed upon his return from the meeting.

## Administrative Report and Financial Statements for 1990 (as at 31 July)

- 39. STACFAD reviewed the Administrative Report and Financial Statements (NAFO GC Doc. 90/7), expressed concern about the costs involved for mailing documents, publications, etc. and <u>recommended</u> that the Secretariat contact each Contracting Party and request updated mailing lists.
- 40. The Secretariat pointed out that preliminary catch statistics were used when calculating the billing in Statement V (Annex 5), and advised STACFAD that the final statistics for 1988 were due from Contracting Parties by 30 June 1989 and that final statistics for 1989 were due by 30 June 1990. Only five Contracting Parties had submitted statistics for 1989, and there were still four Contracting Parties which had not forwarded complete statistics for 1988.
- 41. STACFAD <u>recommended</u> that the General Council take appropriate action to insure the timely reporting of catch statistics from Contracting Parties.

## Preliminary Budget Estimate for the Fiscal Year Ending 31 December 1991

42. STACFAD reviewed the preliminary budget estimate of \$878,000 a 4.46% increase over the approved budget for 1990.

STACFAD agreed to follow last years procedure of a 1.5% budget reduction and <u>recommended</u> to the General Council that the 1991 budget be reduced by \$13,170 (1.5%) to \$864,830 (Annex 6). The Executive Secretary should determine the means by which that reduction should be effected.

Preliminary Budget Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending 31 December 1992

 43. STACFAD noted that the preliminary budget forecast of \$ 928,000 for 1992 (Annex 7) would be reviewed in detail during the 13th Annual Meeting.

## Billing Date for the Fiscal Year Ending 31 December 1991 (15 February 1991)

44. The proposed date of 15 February 1991 was agreed by STACFAD.

## Time and Place of 1991, 1992 and 1993 Annual Meetings

45. The following dates were agreed and recommended by STACFAD:

1991	Scientific Council Fisheries Commission General Council	9-13	September September September
1992	Scientific Council Fisheries Commission General Council	14-18	September September September
1993	Scientific Council Fisheries Commission General Council	6-10	September September September

The location of the 1991, 1992 and 1993 Annual Meetings would be in the Halifax-Dartmouth area if no invitation to host the Annual Meetings were to be extended by a Contracting Party.

## Other Business

- 46. Canada drew the attention of STACFAD to certain difficulties it was experiencing because of the NAFO billing date. STACFAD recommended that the Executive Secretary examine billing procedures of other similar Organizations in relation to their fiscal years and present a report to STACFAD during the 13th Annual Meeting.
- 47. Regarding the proposal of a new rule 8.3 referred to STACFAD by the General Council, it was recommended by STACFAD that the new rule not be adopted as its concerns were addressed by item 16 of the 1989 Report of the General Council. The present procedure of 90 days for review and revisions to be counted from the receipt of draft documents was considered sufficient time for all Contracting Parties to submit changes to the Secretariat with final reports to be adopted at the following Annual Meeting.

## Annex 1 (to Appendix 4)

## List of Participants

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## DELEGATION

Canada ••

Denmark (in respect of Faroes and Greenland) ...

EEC

Japan

Norway

Poland

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USSR ...

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Annex 2 (to Appendix 4)

## 12th Annual Meeting of NAFO Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada 5-14 September 1990

## Standing Committee on Finance and Administration (STACFAD)

## Agenda

- 1. Opening by NAFO Chairman, K. Hoydal (Denmark in respect of Faroes and Greenland)
- 2. Election of Chairman
- 3. Appointment of Rapporteur
- 4. Adoption of Agenda
- 5. Review of Membership
- 6. Auditor's Report
- 7. Meeting of the Pension Society
- 8. Discussion of Staff Rules and Cost Implications

9. Review of Accumulated Surplus Account

- 10. Administrative Report and Financial Statements for 1990 (to 31 July)
- 11. Preliminary Budget Estimate for the fiscal year ending 31 December 1991
- 12. Preliminary Budget Forecast for the fiscal year ending 31 December 1992
- 13. Billing date for the fiscal year ending 31 December 1991 (15 February 1991)
- 14. Time and Place of 1991, 1992 and 1993 Annual Meetings (See GC Doc. 89/4, Revised, item 32 and item 14 of STACFAD Report)
- 15. Other Business
- 16. Report of STACFAD
- 17. Adjournment

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June 27, 1990

Captain J.C. Esteves Cardoso Executive Secretary Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization P.O. Box 638 Dartmouth, NS B2Y 3Y9

Dear Captain Cardoso:

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During the course of conducting our audit of the organization for the year ended December 31, 1989 we noted several matters which we want to bring to the attention of the General Council.

A) ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The organization can, and has, set its own accounting policies. When appropriate the accounting policies of government agencies and/or businesses are used.

Since 1973 the major accounting body representing over 75 countries has been striving to generate one set of international accounting standards. It is appropriate for multinational and international companies and organizations to use these policies. This helps to ensure that all readers of the statements can understand them.

There are two accounting policy areas that we believe need clarification, and if appropriate, brought into line with international standards.

(1) Allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable

NAFO, at present, will only write off the receivable when the General Council has approved the write off. The usual practice is to set up an allowance for "doubtful accounts" at the end of each year and then, upon receiving appropriate approval, writing off the account.

We recommend that an allowance be set up at the end of each year for those accounts that are one or more payments in arrears. This listing would then be presented to the General Council for determination of write off. The write off would then be recorded in the year of approval. Captain J.C. Esteves Cardoso June 27, 1990

(2) Recording of the ex-gratia grant from the Province of Nova Scotia.

NAFO, at present, only records this grant when the cash is received. The usual practice is to record the amount as a receivable when there is reasonable assurance it will be collected.

Based on the history of receiving this grant and in the absence of any indication that it will not continue, we recommend that this grant be set up as a receivable.

B) INTEREST REVENUE

NAFO has taken some steps to obtain higher interest revenue on the funds on deposit.

However, we believe more interest could be earned by taking the following steps:

- (1) Invest an amount equal to the provision for employee termination benefits in one year term deposits.
- (2) Do an analysis of cash flow over the past several years and, with this hindsight, determine the periods of surplus cash. This cash should then be invested in Treasury bills of 30, 60, 90 or 120 days.

We would be pleased to discuss the above recommendations with you, or any committee of the General Council, and assist, where required, in their implementation.

Yours very truly, DELOITTE & TOUCHE

M.E.

Partner

Annex 4, revised (to Appendix 4) Sugar.

## TO STACFAD

I would like to submit to a vote a proposal relative to STACFAD Working Paper 90/2.

All Contracting Parties are hereby requested to approve or reject the New Draft of NAFO Staff Rules until 30 November 1990 (or 31 January 1991).

STATEMENT V

Preliminary calculation of billing for Contracting Parties against the proposed estimate of \$864,830.00 for the 1991 financial year (based on 12 Contracting Parties to NAFO).

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**60% of funds required =** 418,353.00 **10% of funds required =** 69,725.50 **30% of funds required =** 209,176.50

Contracting Parties	Nominal Catches for 1988	2 of Total Catch in Convention Area	z of 60Z \$ Canadian Funds	Coastal States 102	10Z in \$ Canadian Funds	307 Divided Equally Amongst Contracting Parties	Total Amount Due from Each Contracting Party (\$ Canadian Funds)
Bulgaria	· .	1	1 1 1		1	17,431.38	17,431.38
Canada <sup>1</sup>	1,110,397	72.11	301,674.34	1,110,397	62,892.40	17,431.38	381,998.12
Cuba	16,858 .	1.09	4,560.05	I	I	17,431.38	21,991.43
-Denmark (Faroes & Gr) <sup>1,2</sup>	120,602	7.83	32,757.04	120,602	6,833.10	17,431.38	57,021.52
EEC <sup>1</sup> .	112,492	7.31	30,581.61	ľ	1	17,431.38	48,012.99
CDR · ·	. 27,275 .	1.77	7,404.85	, I ,	]	17,431.38	24,836.23
Iceland	I	I	I	1		17,431.38	17,431.38
Japan <sup>1</sup>	8,740	C:57	2,384.61	ŧ		17,431.38	19,815.99
Norway	1,538	0.10	418.36	I	1	17,431.38	17,849.74
Poland	11,686	0.76	3,179.48	ı	1	17,431.38	20,610.86
Romania	•	I 	1	· ]		17,431.38	17,431.38
USSR	130,276	8 46	35,392.66	,	1	17,431.38	52,824.04
:	1 539 864	100.00	418,353.00	1,230,999	69,725.50	209,176.56	697,255.06

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Annex 5 (to Appendix 4)

<sup>1</sup>Provisional Statistics used when calculating 1988 nominal catches.

<sup>2</sup>Faroes = 7,699; Greenland = 112,903.

## Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization Budget Estimate for 1991

	Approved Budget for 1990	Preliminary Budget Forecast for 1991	Budget Estimate for 1991
1. Personal Services			
a) Salaries	532,000	550,000	560,000
b) Superannuation and Annuities	70,000	73,000	73,000
c) Additional help	1,000	1,000	1,000
d) Group Medical and Insurance Plans	22,000	24,000	29,000
e) Termination Benefits	18,000	20,000	10,000
f) Accrued Vacation Pay	5,000	5,000	5,000
2. Travel	9,000	5,000	8,000
3. Transportation	1,000	1,000	1,000
4. Communications	47,000	49,000	49,000
5. Publications	15,000	15,000	20,000
6. Other Contractual Services	37,500	39,500	45,000
7. Materials and Supplies	28,000	29,000	29,000
8. Equipment	5,000	5,000	5,000
9. Annual 🕻 Mid-Year Meetings	30,000	30,000	30,000
10. Computer Services	20,000	26,000	13,000
11. Contingencies		· -	· · · _
Total	840,500	872,500	878,000
12. Exceptional Expenditure			• •
<ul> <li>a) Salary overlap for incoming Exec. Sec.</li> <li>b) Removal and travel expenses for</li> </ul>	6,000	-	-
outgoing and incoming Exec. Sec.	25,000		-
Grand Total	871,500	872,500	878,000
Less 1.5% Budgetary Restraint	13,000		13,170
Adjusted Total	858,500	872,500	864,830

 $\frac{\text{Annex 7}}{(\text{to Appendix 4})}$ 

## NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES ORGANIZATION

## Preliminary Budget Forecast 1992

1.	Personal Services	
	<ul> <li>(a) Salaries</li> <li>(b) Superannuation and Annuities</li> <li>(c) Additional Help</li> <li>(d) Group Medical and Insurance Plans</li> <li>(e) Termination Benefits</li> <li>(f) Accrued Vacation Pay</li> </ul>	\$ 596,000 75,000 1,000 31,000 12,000 5,000
2.	Travel	10,000*
з.	Transportation	1,000
4	Communications	50,000
5.	Publications	20,000
6.	Other Contractual Services	47,000
7.	Materials and Supplies	30,000
8.	Equipment	5,000
9.	Annual and Mid-Year Meetings	30,000
10.	Computer Services	15,000 \$ 928,000

\* This figure may be reduced or increased depending on nationality and dependents of the new Executive Secretary. One of the conditions of employment is home leave for the Executive Secretary and family every 2 years.

## Appendix 5

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#### NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES ORGANIZATION

## TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 1990

## Press Release

- 1. The Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) was held in Halifax, N. S., Canada, during 5-14 September 1990 under the chairmanship of Mr. K. Hoydal (Denmark in respect of the Faroe Islands and Greenland), President of NAFO. The sessions of the Scientific Council, the General Council and the Fisheries Commission and their Committees were all held at the Lord Nelson Hotel.
- 2. Attending the meeting were delegates from the following Contracting Parties: Bulgaria, Canada, Cuba, Denmark (in respect of the Farce Islands and Greenland), European Economic Community (EEC), German Democratic Republic (GDR), Japan, Norway, Poland and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic (USSR). Observers from Mexico and the United States of America were present at the meeting.
- 3. The Scientific Council, under the chairmanship of Mr. B. W. Jones (EEC), presented scientific advice on the management of the stocks and advised on a number of questions referred to it by the Fisheries Commission. It also completed work which it had not had the possibility of finalizing at the June Meeting in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- 4. During 5-7 September 1990, there was a Special Session on Management Under Uncertainties.

The Council endorsed the general discussions and conclusions presented to STACFIS by the convener, J. Shepherd (EEC), at the end of the Special Session. The Council made special note that participants considered the Special Session to be a very successful meeting and resulted in highlighting observations regarding management under uncertainties.

5. Based on STACTIC recommendations, the Fisheries Commission, under the chairmanship of Mr. J. Zygmanowski (Poland), decided to reinforce and improve the Surveillance and Control in the Regulatory Area and for that purpose a special meeting of a Working Group on the matter is to be organized in Brussels in the coming month of October.

On the basis of the scientific advice provided by the Scientific Council from its meeting in June 1990 and at the present meeting, agreement was reached by the Fisheries Commission, on conservation and management measures for 1991; regarding total allowable catches (TACs) and allocations for certain stocks, which are either entirely outside the 200-mile fishing zones or occur both within the zones and in the Regulatory Area. The TACs and national allocations for stocks in Division 3M and those overlapping the 200-mile boundary lines are given in the attached Quota Table. It is to be underlined that most of the decisions were obtained unanimously.

- 7. The Fisheries Commission agreed to continue the moratorium for 1991 on cod fishing by Contracting Parties in Division 3L outside the Canadian zone, in the continuation of the restrictive measures of the past years in favour of the recuperation of the stock.
- 8. The General Council reviewed and approved the Organization's budget and accounts.
- 9. Deciding on a request from the Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations on information on large scale pelagic drift net fishery -Resolution 44/225 - which was also considered by the Fisheries Commission, the Executive Secretary was instructed to reply that:
  - 1. Large scale pelagic drift net fishing is not presently practised by NAFO Contracting Parties in the Conservation Area.

2. NAFO endorses the U.N. Resolution on large scale drift net fishing.

- 10. A Standing Committee on Fishing Activities of Non-Contracting Parties in the Regulatory Area was created in order to:
  - obtain and compile all available information on such activities;
    - obtain and compile all available information on landings and transshipments of fish caught in the Regulatory Area by non-Contracting Parties;
    - examine and assess all options open to NAFO Contracting Parties;

recommend measures to resolve the problem.

- 11. The General Council passed a Resolution, which, upon consideration of the most important Articles of U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea and of the NAFO Convention bearing on the matter, is quoted as attached to this release.
- 12. The General Council selected, from among the candidates, the new Executive Secretary who will take over at the end of December from the present Executive Secretary, who will retire then.

Since this would be the last Annual Meeting before the change-over, the compliments to the new convener and the good-byes to the present Executive Secretary took place before the acclamations of the General Council and the return of thanks by the two people involved.

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Contracting	Cod	Cođ	Redfish	Redfîsh	American plaice	American plaice	Yellowtail	Witch	Capelin	Squid <sup>3 .</sup> (Illex)
Party	Div. 3M	Div. 3NO	Div 3M	Div. 3LN	Div 3M	Div. 3LNO	Div. 3LNO	Div. 3NO	Div 3NO	Subareas 3+4
1. Bulgaria		1	750	1	E .		1	1	1	500
2. Canada	100	6 484	1,250	5,964	150	25, 425	6,825	3,000	800	N.S. <sup>5</sup>
3. Cuba	480	1	4,375	1,372	1	•••• •• ••		, , ,	. 750	2,250
4. Denmark (Faroes 5 Greenland)	2,900	I	\$	ł	1	۰ بال با		1	1	1
5. European Economic Community	6,465	5,016	7,750	I	350	328	071	- - - -	750	N S 5
6. German Democratic Republic	1	1	•	476	1	1	1	I	1	1
7. Iceland	ł	1	1	•	1	) )		. '	1	, I
8. Japan	• •		1,000	•		. † . †	: 1		2,800	2,250
9. Norzay	1,200	1		1	1	1	Г	1	6,000	•
10. Poland	200	• •	•	, 1	1	١	۱.	.!	006	1,000
11. USSR	1,270	1,624	34,625	6,104	1,000	l.	1	1,950	15,000	5,000
12. Others	20	476	250	84	500	47	35	90	1	5,000
13. Special Reservation <sup>2</sup>	• • •	1	••••• • •				•	1	1	• 1
14. Total Allowable Catch	12,965	13,600	50,000	14,000	2,000	25,800	7,000	5,000	30,000	150,000
<sup>1</sup> Quotas are in metric tons.								, ,		

-quotas are in metric tons. <sup>2</sup>There are no Special Reservations for 1991. <sup>3</sup>The opening date for the squid (<u>Illex</u>) fishery is 1 July. <sup>4</sup>Any quota listed for squid may be increased by a transfer from any "coastal state" as defined in Article 1, para 3 of the NAFO <sup>4</sup>Convention, provided that the TAC for squid is not exceeded. Transfers made to Contracting Parties conducting fisheries for squid in the Regulatory Area shall be reported to the Executive Secretary, and the report shall be made as promptly as possible. <sup>5</sup>Not specified because the allocation to these Contracting Parties are as yet undetermined, although their sum shall not exceed the difference between the total of allocations to other Contracting Parties and the TAC. <sup>6</sup>The TAC would remain at 150,000 tons subject to adjustment where warranted by scientific advice.

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## Resolution of the General Council on Non-NAFO Fishing Activities

Resolves that:

- (1) All Contracting Parties should communicate through diplomatic channels with non-Contracting Parties whose vessels fish in the NAFO Regulatory Area to request that they take all necessary measures to prevent any fishing contrary to NAFO conservation measures;
- (2) The Executive Secretary of NAFO draw to the attention of the non-Contracting Parties involved the activities of their vessels in the Regulatory Area, and the negative impact of such fishing on the conservation of fish stocks in the Regulatory Area;
- (3) The Executive Secretary and Contracting Parties individually contact non-Contracting Parties, whose vessels fish in the Regulatory Area, to request them to provide NAFO with complete and accurate statistical reports on their catches in the NAFO Regulatory Area to the end of 1990;
- (4) All Contracting Parties should take effective measures to reduce the benefits of any fishing activities undertaken by vessels from non-Contracting Parties in the NAFO Regulatory Area where such fisheries take place contrary to NAFO conservation measures, with the aim of causing them to withdraw from such activities;
- (5) In full respect of the international obligations of Contracting Parties, further measures should be developed for consideration by the General Council at its 1991 annual meeting, including the possibility of introducing a system under which all Contracting Parties would require that all fish and fish products of a species managed by NAFO, imported from non-Contracting Parties whose vessels fish in the NAFO Regulatory Area, be accompanied by a certificate indicating harvest origin outside that Area.