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Canadian proposal regarding control of fishing effort

The United States proposal to the Commission at its January 1973 Meeting to limit total fishing effort in Subarea 5 is still under discussion. Alternatives for effecting overall effort control now being considered include direct control of effort itself and establishment of a total catch quota. If any measures, of whatever kind, are adopted to control total fishing effort in Subarea 5, Canada proposes that similar measures be taken in Subareas 4, 3 and 2 to prevent the massive diversion of fishing effort from Subarea 5 to those Subareas, which would otherwise occur with serious effects on the fish stocks and fishing opportunity.

