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SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL MEETING - JUNE 1989

EEC Request for Scientific Advice on Management
of Certain Stocks in 1989

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SUBJECT : MEETING OF THE NAFO SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL, JUNE 1989
- REQUESTED AGENDA ITEM

IN REPLY TO YOUR TELEX OF 29 MARCH 1989, THE COMMUNITY WISHES THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEM RELATING TO SCIENTIFIC ADVICE BE INCORPORATED IN THE AGENDA OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL FOR THE JUNE MEETING.

THE COMMUNITY REQUESTS THAT THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL SHOULD PROVIDE "ON ITS OWN INITIATIVE" IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE VI.1(D) OF THE CONVENTION SCIENTIFIC ADVICE INCORPORATING A RANGE OF MANAGEMENT OPTIONS ON THE COD 2J+3KL STOCKS.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

THE FISHERIES COMMISSION HAS, FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, ANNUALLY ADOPTED A REGULATORY MEASURE FOR THAT PART OF THE 2J+3KL COD STOCKS OCCURRING IN THE REGULATORY AREA NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABSENCE OF SCIENTIFIC ADVICE OR RECOMMENDATION FROM THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL FOR SUCH A MEASURE. AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, IT IS INCUMBENT ON THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL TO PROVIDE THE ABOVEMENTIONED ADVICE ON THE STOCKS SO AS TO ENABLE THE FISHERIES COMMISSION TO FULFIL ITS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION OF THE FISHERY RESOURCES IN THE REGULATORY AREA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XI OF THE CONVENTION, ON THE BASIS OF ADEQUATE SCIENTIFIC ADVICE.

THE COMMUNITY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM FOR INCLUSION ON THE AGENDA OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL MEETING IN JUNE NEXT BE COMMUNICATED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL AND STACFIS AS WELL AS TO ALL CONTRACTING PARTIES.