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Notes on Acquisition and Publications of Statistics Since June 1994

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1. STATLANT Data

In accordance with Rule 4.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Scientific Council, the deadline dates for submission of STATLANT 21A data and 21B data for the preceding year are 15 May and 30 June, respectively.

The STATLANT 21B data constitute the final catch and effort data for the compilation of the *NAFO Statistical Bulletin*.

The STATLANT 21A data are the provisional catch statistics, which are used extensively during the Scientific Council Meetings of June each year for stock assessments and other scientific evaluations, and are used for the compilation of meeting documents such as "Nominal Catches in the Northwest Atlantic" and "General Fishery Trends for the Northwest Atlantic".

The timely submission of STATLANT data by Contracting Parties and non-Contracting Parties fishing in the NAFO Convention Area are key to the work of the Scientific Council.

The following table provides the status of report submissions:

Table 1. Dates of receipt of STATLANT 21A and 21B reports for 1992-94 received at the Secretariat up to 1 June 1995. (X = no report to date)

Country	STATLANT 21A (deadline, 15 May)			STATLANT 21B (deadline, 30 June)		
	1992	1993	1994	1992	1993	1994
BGR	X	X	X	X	X	X
CAN-M	15 Apr 93	17 May 94	05 May 95	24 Jan 94	21 Mar 95	X
CAN-N	31 May 93	18 May 94	16 May 95	25 Nov 94	X	X
CAN-Q	14 Apr 93	16 May 94	17 May 95	06 Jul 93	04 Jul 94	X
CUB	19 Apr 93	31 Aug 94	X	19 Apr 93	31 Aug 94	X
EST	No fishing	X	15 May 95	No fishing	15 Dec 94	X
E/DNK	10 Jun 93	X	X	19 Dec 94	19 Dec 94	X
E/FRA-M	X	X	X	X	X	X
E/DEU	03 Jun 93	11 Jul 94	01 Jun 95	03 Aug 93	08 Sep 94	X
E/IRL	X	X	X	X	X	X
E/ITA	X	X	X	X	X	X
E/NLD	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing
E/PRT	28 Apr 93	03 Jun 94	01 Jun 95	01 Jun 93	X	X
E/ESP	04 Jun 93	31 May 94	X	17 Jun 93	02 Jun 94	X
E/GBR	26 Apr 93	24 Aug 94	01 Jun 95	04 Oct 93	24 Aug 94	X
FRO	02 Jun 93	19 Sep 94	X	11 Jun 93	X	X
GRL	14 Apr 93	12 Apr 94	04 Apr 95	01 Jun 93	23 Nov 94	X
ISL	X	04 Jul 94	X	X	04 Jul 94	X
JPN	X	26 Apr 94	06 Apr 95	26 Apr 94	26 Apr 94	06 Apr 95
KOR	21 Apr 93	28 Apr 94	X	21 Apr 93	28 Apr 94	X
LVA	02 Apr 93	27 May 94	30 May 95	02 Apr 93	28 Jul 94	X
LTU	X	16 Nov 94	X	X	X	X
NOR	22 Apr 93	12 Jul 94	11 May 95	30 Jun 93	X	X
POL	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing
ROM	X	X	X	X	X	X
RUS	01 Jun 93	08 Jun 94	X	28 Sep 93	X	X
FRA-SP	X	X	X	X	X	X
HND	X	Sep 94	X	X	Sep 94	X
USA	12 May 93	24 Aug 94	X	05 Apr 95	X	X
VEN	X	X	X	X	X	X

a) Publication of NAFO Statistical Bulletin, Vol. 41

Data for 1991 were finalized in the absence of data from France (St. Pierre and Miquelon), and published in *NAFO Statistical Bulletin*, Vol. 41, in February 1995.

b) Publication of NAFO Statistical Bulletin, Vol. 42

Data for 1992 have been received from all countries and components with the exception of France (Metropolitan) and France (St. Pierre and Miquelon). The data are presently being finalized for publication in *NAFO Statistical Bulletin*, Vol. 42, in July 1995.

c) Publication of NAFO Statistical Bulletin, Vol. 43

Data not received for 1993 to date are listed in Table 1 above.

Deadline for submission of STATLANT 21B reports for 1993 was 30 June 1994. As of May 1995, data were still outstanding from Canada (N), Faroes, Norway, EU (France - Metropolitan, Portugal), France (St. Pierre and Miquelon) and USA. We are also awaiting clarification of reports from Japan, Russia and Lithuania.

d) Provisional data

Provisional data for 1993 were received well after the deadline date and many components were not available for the June 1994 Meeting. The publication of the SCS Doc. 94/24 was completed only in November 1994.

Provisional data for 1994 are still outstanding from many countries and components (Table 1), and the compilation of the SCS Document in time for the June 1995 Meeting of the Scientific Council may not be possible.

e) Historical Catches for 1983-93

The Secretariat continued the practice of preparing decadal catch data. The Summary Document (SCS Doc. 95/5 Serial No. N2502) contains an 11-year time series from 1983 to 1993 with updates for 1983-91 and provisional data for 1992 and 1993. More than 70 stocks are currently included in the list (others may be added upon request).

f) Catches of Selected Species by Stock Area and Country, 1960-90

A supplemental issue to the *NAFO Statistical Bulletin* was published in April 1995.

The Secretariat has for many years routinely published tabulations of the catches of selected species considered to be relatively important commercially, by stock area and country. After a Summary Document (SCS Doc. 86/2) which presented data for the 22-year series from 1963 to 1984, annual publications have presented 11-year tabulation updates for 1975 to 1985, 1976 to 1986, etc. in SCS Doc. 87/3, 88/1, 89/7, 90/1, 91/1, 92/5, 93/5 and 94/1. The data presented in the SCS Doc. publications may at times have been subsequently revised, as corrections and clarifications were received at the Secretariat. The data presented in this publication are the current updated figures available at the NAFO Secretariat, and constitute catch records for the period 1960 to 1990.

2. Biological Sampling

The Secretariat continued the practice of preparing the List of Biological Sampling Data. The Summary Document (SCS Doc. 95/11, Serial No. N2514) contains a provisional list of sampling data for 1993 available at the Secretariat as of 1 June 1995. Data for 1992 were presented in SCS Doc. 94/8 containing data available at the time of the June 1994 Meeting.

3. List of Fishing Vessels, 1992

Data for the triennial *List of Fishing Vessels* for 1992 were requested from all countries in January, 1993. As of 1 June 1995, 11 reports have been received with another 11 still outstanding.