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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 1993-95 received at the Secretariat up to 1 June 1996. (X = no report to date).

Country	STATLANT 21A (deadline, 15 May)			STATLANT 21B (deadline, 30 June)		
	1993	1994	1995	1993	1994	1995
BGR	X	X		X	X	
CAN-M	17 May 94	05 May 95	04 Jul 96	21 Mar 95	(SF only)	
CAN-N	18 May 94	16 May 95		24 Jul 95	04 Jul 95	
CAN-Q	16 May 94	17 May 95	14 May 96	04 Jul 94	30 Jun 95	
CUB	31 Aug 94	X		31 Aug 94	X	
EST	15 Dec 94	15 May 95		15 Dec 94	04 Jul 95	
E/DNK	19 Dec 94	12 Jun 95		19 Dec 94	X	
E/FRA-M	No fishing	No fishing		No fishing	No fishing	
E/DEU	11 Jul 94	01 Jun 95	No fishing	08 Sep 94	16 Aug 95	No fishing
E/IRL	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing
E/ITA	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing	No fishing
E/NLD	No fishing	No fishing		No fishing	No fishing	
E/PRT	03 Jun 94	01 Jun 95		08 Dec 95	25 Sep 95	
E/ESP	31 May 94	08 Jun 95		02 Jun 94	06 Jun 95	
E/GBR	No fishing	01 Jun 95	No fishing	No fishing	X	No fishing
FRO	19 Sep 94	15 Jun 95		X	X	
GRL	12 Apr 94	04 Apr 95		23 Nov 94	X	
ISL	04 Jul 94	19 Jun 95		04 Jul 94	19 Jun 95	
JPN	26 Apr 94	06 Apr 95	02 Apr 96	26 Apr 94	06 Apr 95	02 Apr 96
KOR	28 Apr 94	X	No fishing	28 Apr 94	X	No fishing
LVA	27 May 94	30 May 95		28 Jul 94	14 Jul 95	
LTU	28 Jul 94	X		28 Jul 94	X	
NOR	12 Jul 94	11 May 95		31 Oct 95	X	
POL	No fishing	No fishing		No fishing	No fishing	
ROM	X	X		X	X	
RUS	08 Jun 94	07 Jun 95		25 Aug 94	07 Jun 95	
USA	24 Aug 94	Partial		X	X	
FRA-SP	06 Jun 95	06 Jun 95		X	X	
HND	Sep 94	X		Sep 94	X	
VEN	X	X		X	X	

a) Publication of *NAFO Statistical Bulletin*, Vol. 42

Data for 1992 have been received from all countries and components with the exception of France (St. Pierre and Miquelon). The *NAFO Statistical Bulletin*, Vol. 42, was published October 1995. Provisional data for France (Metropolitan) for 1989 and France (SP) for 1990-92 was included in Part IV.

b) 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 1996, data were still outstanding from Faroe Islands and USA. We are also awaiting clarification of reports from Russia.

c) Provisional data

Provisional data for 1994 were received well after the deadline date and many components were not available for the June 1995 Meeting. The preliminary data were only issued in an SC Working Paper.

Provisional data for 1995 are still outstanding from most countries and components (Table 1), and the compilation of the SCS Document in time for the June 1996 Meeting of the Scientific Council may not be possible.

d) Historical Catches for 1984-94

Because of the lack of data for 1994, it was not possible to compile this document this year.

2. Biological Sampling

The Secretariat continued the practice of preparing the List of Biological Sampling Data. The Summary Document (SCS Doc. 96/5, Serial No. N2672) contains a provisional list of sampling data for 1994 available at the Secretariat as of 1 June 1996. Data for 1993 were presented in SCS Doc. 95/11 containing data available at the time of the June 1995 Meeting.

3. List of Fishing Vessels, 1992

As data were still outstanding from several countries, the usefulness of this publication was evaluated by the Scientific Council at its meeting in September 1995. It was agreed that this publication was rarely used by the Council. The Secretariat is requested to inquire its usefulness to other Committees. The lack of responses from other Standing Committees suggests that the publication is of little practical value considering the cost of production involved, the Scientific Council may wish to discontinue the publication.