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Summary of Research Programme for 1952-53 and Results of Work
carried out by the United Kingdom in the Area of the
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No research work has been carried out in the area since the last meeting of the Committee on Research and Statistics. A report on the Scottish halibut landings, including those from Greenland, has been prepared and, whilst the latter are mainly from East Greenland they may have some some relevance to conditions in the area of Panel I.

In 1952, however, it is intended that the English research vessel ERNEST HOLT will make two cruises, one from August 19th to September 19th and the other from October 7th to November 7th on the Cape Farewell grounds. It is expected that the Scottish research vessel SCOTIA will visit Greenland waters in September, although it is not yet certain whether this visit will be to East Greenland waters or in the region of Cape Farewell.

These cruises will be primarily devoted to studies of the local temperature conditions in relation to the cod fishery and of age-censuses and food of the local cod population. It is hoped that Dr. Paul Hansen will transfer from the Danish research vessel DANA to the English ship for the first of these cruises.