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Status of Proposals for Amendments to the Convention and for International Regulation of the Trawl Fishery

by Executive Secretary

The following account, with appendices, reviews the present (30 April, 1964) status of proposals adopted by the Commission for changes in the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries 1949 and for international regulations of the trawl fishery.

I. Re proposals for changes in the Convention.

- (i) Change to allow Annual Meeting to be held in any member country.

Note: The Commission adopted this proposal 11 June, 1955 which resulted in an amendment to Article II 5 of the Convention. The amendment entered into force 11 January 1959.

- (ii) Declaration of understanding of text of Convention concerning molluscs.

Note: The Commission adopted this proposal 14 June, 1958 and it entered into force 5 June, 1963.

- (iii) Resolution to bring harp and hood seals under provisions of the Convention.

Note: The Commission adopted this resolution 9 June, 1961. The status of this pending proposal is shown in column 'a' of Appendix A.

- (iv) Changes to allow proposals for national and international measures of control.

Note: The Commission adopted this resolution 7 June, 1963. The status of proposed amendments to Convention Article VIII paras. 5 and 8 are shown in column 'b' of Appendix A.

II. Re proposals for international regulation of trawl fishery

- (i) Regulation of the haddock trawl fishery in Subarea 5. (4 1/2" mesh size; 5000 pound or 10% exemption; savings gear protection).

Note: Proposed at the 1952 Annual Meeting and effective 13 June 1953 for all Contracting Governments.

- (ii) Amendments to regulation of the haddock trawl fishery in Subarea 5. (Mesh measurements).

Note: Proposed at the 1953 Annual Meeting and effective 1 January 1954 for all Contracting Governments.

- (iii) Regulation of the cod and haddock trawl fisheries in Subareas 3, 4 and 5: for Subarea 5 the regulations substitute the ones adopted by the Commission at the 1952 and 1953 Annual Meetings [see (i) and (ii) above]. (4 1/2" mesh size for Subarea 4 and 5 and 4" for Subarea 3, 5000 lb or 10% exemption; savings gear).

Note: Proposed at 1955 Annual Meeting and effective 29 November, 1957 for all Contracting Governments.

- (iv) Amendments to regulations of the cod and haddock trawl fisheries in Subareas 3, 4 and 5, adopted by the Commission at its 1955 Annual Meeting [ see (iii) above ].

Note: Proposed at the 1956 Annual Meeting and effective 1 January, 1958 for all Contracting Governments.

- (v) Amendments to regulations of the cod and haddock trawl fisheries in Subareas 3, 4 and 5 adopted by the Commission at its 1955 and 1956 Annual Meetings [ see (iii) and (iv) above ].

(attaching savings gear)

Note: Proposed at the 1957 Annual Meeting and effective for Subarea 5 28 September, 1958, and for Subarea 4 22 April, 1960 (see column 'a' of Appendix B). Further acceptance of these 1957 proposed amendments to regulations for Subarea 3 and the UK and USSR reservations thereto (see columns 'b' and 'c' of Appendix B) need not be sought since the amendments and reservations thereto have been superseded by the proposals adopted by the Commission at its 1961 Annual Meeting.

- (vi) Regulation of the groundfish (cod, haddock, redfish and halibut) trawl fishery in Subareas 1, 2 and 3 (except redfish in 3N, 3O and 3P): for Subarea 3 the regulation substitutes the ones adopted by the Commission at the 1955, 1956 and 1957 Annual Meetings [ see (iii), (iv) and (v) above. ]

(4 1/2" mesh size; mesh measurements; 10% exemption in 3N, 3O and 3P; savings gear).

Note: Proposed at the 1961 Annual Meeting. The present status of this proposal is shown in columns 'd' and 'f' of Appendix B. Column 'f' shows UK reservations on account of stern trawlers.

- (vii) Regulation of cod, haddock and flounder trawl fisheries in Subarea 4; substitutes for regulations adopted by the Commission at the 1955, 1956 and 1957 Annual Meetings [ see (iii), (iv) and (v) above ].

(4 1/2" mesh size, mesh measurements, 5000 lbs or 10% exemption; savings gear).

Note: Proposed at the 1961 Annual Meeting. The present status of this proposal is shown in column 'a' of Appendix B.

- (viii) Amendment to regulation of the groundfish (cod, haddock, redfish and halibut) trawl fishery in Subareas 1, 2 and 3 adopted by the Commission at the 1961 Annual Meeting [ see (vi) above ].

(savings gear)

Note: Proposed at the 1963 Annual Meeting. The present status of this proposal is shown in column 'g' of Appendix B.

- (ix) Amendment to regulation of cod, haddock and flounder trawl fisheries in Subarea 4 adopted by the Commission at its 1961 Annual Meeting [ see (vii) above ].

(savings gear)

- (x) Amendments to regulation of cod and haddock trawl fisheries in Subarea 5 adopted by the Commission at its 1955 Annual Meeting [ see (iii) above ].

(savings gear)

Note: Proposed at the 1963 Annual Meeting. The present status of this proposal is shown in column 'c' of Appendix B.

Appendices have been checked by the Department of State of the Government of the United States of America which is the Depositary Government.

The valuable assistance given to the Commission by the Department of State of the Government of the USA and the office of the Assistant Legal Adviser, in particular, is gratefully acknowledged.

APPENDIX A  
STATUS OF PENDING PROPOSALS  
FOR CHANGES IN THE CONVENTION.

	A. PROTOCOL TO BRING HARP AND HOOD SEALS UNDER PROVISIONS OF CONVENTION.	B. CHANGES TO ALLOW PROPOSALS FOR NA- TIONAL AND INTER- NATIONAL MEASURES OF CONTROL
RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY COMMISSION	9 JUNE, 1961	7 JUNE, 1963
SENT BY SECRETARIAT TO DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENT	23 JUNE, 1961	10 JULY, 1963
DRAFT PROTOCOL CIRCULATED BY DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENT TO MEMBER GOVERNMENTS	14 AUG., 1961	25 SEPT., 1963
PROTOCOL SIGNED AT WASH- INGTON UNDER DATE OF:	15 JULY, 1963*	
CERTIFIED COPIES OF SIGNED PROTOCOL SENT BY DEPOSI- TARY GOVERNMENT TO MEM- BER GOVERNMENTS	27 SEPT., 1963	
	23 JAN., 1964	
DATE OF RECEIPT BY DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENT OF RATIFICATION OR ADHERENCE BY:	23 MAR., 1964	
	3 DEC., 1963	
	CANADA	
	DENMARK	
	FRANCE	
	GERMANY	
	ICELAND	
	ITALY	
	NORWAY	
	POLAND	
	PORTUGAL	
	SPAIN	
	U.S.S.R.	
	U.K.	
	U.S.A.	
DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE		

\* ALL GOVERNMENTS EXCEPT THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY SIGNED THE PROTOCOL WHILE IT WAS OPEN FOR SIGNATURE.  
A NON-SIGNATORY GOVERNMENT MAY ADHERE TO THE PROTOCOL.

APPENDIX B

STATUS OF PROPOSALS FOR INTERNATIONAL REGULATION OF TRAWL FISHERY UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES

	A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.	G.	H.	I.
	AMENDMENT TO 1955 REGULATIONS FOR COD AND HADDOCK IN SUB-AREAS 2, 4, 5.	UNITED KINGDOM ACCEPTANCE OF A. SUBJECT TO CONDITION.	SOVIET ACCEPTANCE OF A. AND B. SUBJECT TO CONDITION.	REGULATION OF TRAWL FISHERY FOR GROUND FISH IN SUB-AREAS 1, 2, 3.	REGULATION OF TRAWL FISHERY FOR COD, HADDOCK, AND FLOWNDERS IN SUB-AREA 4.	UNITED KINGDOM ACCEPTANCE OF D. SUBJECT TO CONDITION.	REGULATION OF TRAWL FISHERY FOR GROUND FISH IN SUB-AREAS 1, 2, 3.	REGULATION OF TRAWL FISHERY FOR COD, HADDOCK AND FLOWNDERS IN SUB-AREA 4.	REGULATION OF TRAWL FISHERY FOR COD AND HADDOCK IN SUB-AREA 5.
ADOPTED BY COMMISSION:	21 MAY, 1957			10 JUNE, 1961	10 JUNE, 1961		7 JUNE, 1963	7 JUNE, 1963	7 JUNE, 1963
TRANSMITTED BY COMMISSION SECRETARIAT BY DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENT:	21 JUNE, 1957			23 JUNE, 1961	23 JUNE, 1961		10 JULY, 1963	10 JULY, 1963	10 JULY, 1963
TRANSMITTED BY DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENT TO CONTRACTING GOVERNMENTS:	9 OCT., 1957	26 MAY, 1959	5 OCT., 1961	24 JULY, 1961	24 JULY, 1961	23 APR., 1962	30 JULY, 1963 AND REVISION 30 SEPT., 1963	30 JULY, 1963 AND REVISION 30 SEPT., 1963	30 JULY, 1963 AND REVISION 30 SEPT., 1963
DATE OF RECEIPT BY DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENT OF ACCEPTANCE BY: (NUMBERS FOLLOWING INDICATE COUNTRY 1963/4 PANEL MEMBER-SHIP)	CANADA 2,3,4,5 DENMARK 1 FRANCE 1,2,3,4 GERMANY 1,2 ICELAND 1 ITALY 3,4 NORWAY 1 POLAND 1,2,3 PORTUGAL 1,2,3,4 SPAIN 1,2,3,4 USSR 1,2,3,4,5	16 JULY, 1959 29 JUNE, 1959 18 MAY, 1960 14 SEPT., 1959	21 NOV., 1961 20 NOV., 1961 2 MAR., 1962 10 JAN., 1962	6 NOV., 1961 9 NOV., 1961 19 JAN., 1962 5 JULY, 1963 25 OCT., 1961 28 NOV., 1961	6 NOV., 1961 9 NOV., 1961 19 JAN., 1962 5 JULY, 1963 25 OCT., 1961 28 NOV., 1961	* * * * * * *	30 SEPT., 1963 1) * * * * * *	30 SEPT., 1963 * * * * * *	30 SEPT., 1963 * * * * * *
		19 NOV., 1957 * 1 APR., 1958 19 APR., 1958 26 AUG., 1961 (SEE C) 29 APR., 1959 (SEE B) 28 MAY, 1958	26 JULY, 1960 28 JULY, 1960 29 MAY, 1961 26 AUG., 1961 (SEE C)	21 MAY, 1963 16 FEB., 1962 20 JUNE, 1962 20 JUNE, 1962	21 MAY, 1963 16 FEB., 1962 20 JUNE, 1962 20 JUNE, 1962	15 FEB., 1963 22 JUNE, 1962 *	4 FEB., 1964 1) * * * * *	4 FEB., 1964 * * * * *	4 FEB., 1964 * * * * *
EFFECTIVE DATE OF REGULATION FOR SUB-AREA	1 2 3 4 5								

\* ACCEPTANCE NEEDED IF PROPOSAL IS TO ENTER INTO FORCE.

1) REVISIONS OF 30 SEPTEMBER, 1963 ACCEPTED ALSO