

Serial No. 1396Document No. 100ANNUAL MEETING - JUNE 1964NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION ¹⁾SECOND MEETINGProvisional Conclusions and RecommendationsArticle 16 (1) of the Convention(a) Summary of Recommendations

The Commission approved the Summary of Recommendations annexed to paper NC 2/10 Revise as a correct codification of the conservation measures inherited from the Permanent Commission under Article 16 of the 1959 Convention.

(b) Extension of Recommendations to the Boundaries of the 1959 Convention Area

The Commission agreed unanimously to recommend to Contracting States

(i) that the minimum sizes of mesh of nets specified in paragraph (a) of Recommendation 1 in relation to the northern part of the 1946 Convention Area should apply to those parts of the 1959 Convention Area between 42 and 44° west and between 32 and 51° east.

(ii) that for the time being no minimum size of mesh of nets should be specified for that part of the 1959 Convention Area south of 48° north (Region 3).

The Commission agreed that the Commission's Recommendations should be amended accordingly.

Regional Committees

The Commission determined in accordance with the wishes of the Delegations concerned that the Federal Republic of Germany should be withdrawn from and the United Kingdom added to the list of Contracting States represented on Regional Committee 3.

Top-side Chafers

The Commission passed the resolution at Annex A.

Mesh Size in the Northern Part of the Convention Area

The Commission passed the resolution at Annex B.

Prolongation of Annex IV of the 1946 Convention

The Commission agreed unanimously to recommend to Contracting States that the provisions of Annex IV to the 1946 Convention which it had agreed at its First Meeting should be regarded as remaining in force under Article 16 of the 1959 Convention should be prolonged to 31st January, 1970.

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Spiny Dogfish

The Commission passed the resolution at Annex C.

Article 13 (7) of the Convention - International Measures of Control

The Commission passed the resolution at Annex D.

Conservation of Herring Stocks

The Commission passed the resolution at Annex E.

Finance

The Commission approved a provisional statement of income and expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1964 and a budget for the year ending 30th June, 1965 (Annex F).

Arrangements for Third Meeting

The Commission accepted with thanks an invitation from the Government of the U.S.S.R. to hold its Third Meeting in Moscow on 11th May, 1965.

Press Notice

A copy of the Press Notice issued on 15th May is attached.

Office of the Commission.
15th May, 1964.

ANNEX A

NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION

SECOND MEETING

Top-Side Chafers

The Commission

recognising that there are practical considerations which may necessitate the use of top-side chafers;

recognising also the need to ensure that the use of top-side chafers is confined to those types which do not reduce the selectivity of nets;

invite the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea to arrange through the Liaison Committee for a detailed assessment of the various types of chafer in use in the Convention Area and their effect on selectivity;

recommend Contracting States to co-operate in this study and in particular to inform the Commission before 1st August, 1964 of any information which has not already been supplied about the types of chafers in use in their fishing industries and the effect of all chafers in use on the selectivity of nets including any experimental and statistical evidence, and in particular to explain any objections they may have to the top-side chafers specified in Recommendation 3 (b) of the Commission's recommendations and the top-side chafer of the multiple-flap type;

invite the Liaison Committee to report progress to the Commission at its meeting in 1965 and to advise on any further investigations that may then appear necessary, in order to enable the Commission at that meeting or the following meeting to determine what if any types of top-side chafers should be approved;

resolve meanwhile to extend until 1st January, 1966 the operation of Recommendation 3(b) of the Commission's Recommendations.

Office of the Commission.
13th May, 1964.

ANNEX B

NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION

SECOND MEETING

Mesh Size in the Northern Part of the Convention Area

Further International Studies of the State of Commercial Fish Stock

The Commission, wishing to have a reassessment of the state of the fish stocks in the north-eastern part of the Convention Area, requests the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea to renew the activity of the Arctic Fisheries Working Group for a further study of these stocks, considering all the foreseeable factors affecting the yield of these resources, and, on the basis of the scientific data now available and to be obtained, to submit a report through the Liaison Committee as soon as possible,

Office of the Commission.

14th May, 1964.

ANNEX C

NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION

SECOND MEETING

Spiny Dogfish

The Commission requests the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea to arrange through the Liaison Committee for a review of the information available on the state of the stocks of the spiny dogfish and to advise the Commission at its next meeting on the effects of possible conservation measures.

Office of the Commission.

14th May, 1964.

ANNEX D

NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION

SECOND MEETING

Article 13(3) of the Convention
Possible International Measures of Control

The Commission

accepting the need for progress towards the adoption of international measures of control on the high seas, for the purpose of ensuring the application of the Convention and the measures in force thereunder, as provided for in Article 13 (3) of the Convention;

resolves that a special Committee should be established comprising representatives nominated by each Contracting State (the expenses of not more than two representatives of each State to be borne by the Commission) to study the practical problems involved in the establishment of international measures of control in the light of the discussion at the present meeting of the Commission and to bring forward suggestions for consideration by the Commission at its next meeting;

asks the Secretariat to convene a meeting of the Special Committee at a convenient date and place;

and asks each Delegation, in preparation for a meeting of the Special Committee, to supply to the Commission by 1st August, 1964, an up-to-date account of the organisation and methods of national control adopted within its jurisdiction for the purpose of ensuring the application of the Commission's recommendations.

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15th May, 1964.

ANNEX E

NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION

SECOND MEETING

Conservation of Herring Stocks

The Commission wishing to consider further at its third meeting what use if any should be made of the powers under the Convention for the conservation of the herring stocks invites the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea to continue through the Liaison Committee its study of the state of the stocks of herring in the Convention area.

Office of the Commission

15th May, 1964