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CANADIAN PROPOSAL

CONCERNING CONSERVATION OF HADDOCK IN

DIVISION 4W

At the 1970 Annual Meeting, the Commission considered a Canadian proposal to regulate the fishery for haddock in Division 4VW by (a) a catch quota and (b) a closed season during spawning in part of Division 4W. This proposal was not accepted because of possible interference with fisheries primarily for other species of then currently unknown magnitude. It was agreed that this point needed further consideration and evaluation. It is hoped that these considerations will now have been given due attention by the interested parties, and will be assessed in connection with the proposal put forth herein for conservation measures on haddock of Division 4W. The proposal is here limited to Division 4W as this reduces the problem of mixed fisheries or interference with fisheries primarily for other species.

Canada proposes that the 1971 meeting of ICNAF give consideration to a catch quota for haddock in Division 4W of 6000 metric tons for 1972.

Ottawa, March 11, 1971.