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DRAFT PROSPECTUS: CWP MEETINGS, NOVEMBER 1971, ROME

(Coordinating Working Party on Atlantic Fisheries Statistics)

1. General

- 1.1 The Seventh Session of the CWP is scheduled to take place in Rome over a period of 7-8 days during the first half of November. It is to be preceded by a two-day meeting of an ad hoc CWP Working Group on Automatic Data Processing.
- 1.2 The dates selected fit in with meetings of (a) ICCAT Subcommittees beginning their meetings in Madrid on Thursday (18 November 1971) and (b) ICCAT's Standing Committee on Research and Statistics beginning, also in Madrid, on Thursday, 25 November 1971.

FAO's biennial Conference (the Sixteenth Session) takes place in Rome, at FAO Headquarters, 6-25 November 1971.

2. Dates of the CWP meetings

- 2.1 The ad hoc CWP Working Group on Automatic Data Processing is to meet on Monday and Tuesday (8 and 9 November 1971). The first meeting will start at 10.00 on Monday.
- 2.2 The first meeting of the Seventh Session of the CWP will start at 10.00, Wednesday (10 November 1971). It is expected that the last meeting will close late on Tuesday afternoon (16 November 1971).

3. Place

It is expected that both the Working Group on ADP and the CWP will meet in Rome, Italy. The meetings will be accommodated in FAO's Building "F", located in Via Cristoforo Colombo (No. 426) about 4 km from FAO Headquarters.

4. Draft of Provisional Agendas

- 4.1 A draft of the Provisional Agenda for the ad hoc CWP Working Group on Automatic Data Processing is presented in Appendix I.
- 4.2 A draft of the Provisional Agenda for the Seventh Session of the CWP is presented in Appendix II.

5. Participants

A provisional list of possible participants is presented in Appendix III.

6. Revision of this Draft Prospectus

The Prospectus, after incorporation of comments and suggestions received at the ICNAF meetings, May 1971, will be issued together with additional appendixes:

- (a) Provisional list of documents.
- (b) General information for participants on hotel accommodation, transport arrangements, etc.

Appendix I

PROVISIONAL AGENDA: CWP STUDY GROUP ON AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING

1. Implementation of ADP for total catch statistics by:
 - (a) FAO
 - (b) ICES
 - (c) ICNAF
 - (d) ICCAT
 - (e) Compatibility between agencies.
2. Direct input of national statistics on punched cards or tape.
3. ADP for detailed catch and effort data.
4. ADP for length and other routine biological data.
5. Compatibility between systems for catch, effort and biological data.
6. Other items concerning ADP on the Provisional agenda for the Seventh Session of the CWP:
 - (a) CWP Agenda Item 5.2
 - (b) CWP Agenda Item 6.3
 - (c) CWP Agenda Items 7.2 and 7.3
 - (d) CWP Agenda Item 8.3
 - (e) CWP Agenda Item 9.2
 - (f) CWP Agenda Items 10.1 through 10.6

Appendix II

PROVISIONAL AGENDA: SEVENTH SESSION OF THE CWP

1. PROCEDURAL MATTERS
 - 1.1 Election of temporary Chairman, if necessary
 - 1.2 Approval of Agenda Items 1.1 through 1.7
 - 1.3 Enlargement of participation in the CWP
 - 1.4 Election of Chairman
 - 1.5 Adoption of Agenda Items 2-12
 - 1.6 Review and adoption of schedule of work
 - 1.7 Appointment of rapporteurs

2. REVIEW OF AGENCY PROGRAMMES AND PUBLICATIONS PRESENTING ATLANTIC FISHERY STATISTICS
 - 2.1 ICNAF statistical programme and publications
 - 2.2 ICES statistical programme and publications
 - 2.3 CECAF (FAO) statistical programme and publications
 - 2.4 GFCM (FAO) statistical programme and publications
 - 2.5 CARPAS (FAO) statistical programme and publications
 - 2.6 ICCAT statistical programme and publications
 - 2.7 Possible statistical programmes and publications for ICSEAF and in the Western Central Atlantic
 - 2.8 FAO statistical programme and publications in general and specifically for the Atlantic
 - 2.9 OECD statistical programme and publications
 - 2.10 SOEC statistical programme and publications
 - 2.11 An International Directory of Focal Points for Fishery Statistics in Intergovernmental fishery and other bodies

3. QUANTITY CONVERSION FACTORS
 - 3.1 Review of the FAO Bulletin of Fishery Statistics No. 24, "Conversion factors: North Atlantic Species, 1969"
 - 3.2 Proposals for further action to improve the determination, collection and publication of fishery conversion factors

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE CWP STUDY GROUP ON ADP

5. CLASSIFICATION AND CODIFICATION OF FISHING AREAS OF THE ATLANTIC AND ADJACENT SEAS
 - 5.1 Review of papers consolidating existing material, including maps, of each of the major fishing areas in the Atlantic
 - 5.2 Development of an Atlantic-wide system, within a world framework of a codification of areas for ADP processing of catch and effort data.

6. CLASSIFICATION AND STATISTICAL CATEGORIES REFLECTING SPECIES, GENERA, FAMILY AND SPECIES GROUPS, FOR THE WORLD IN GENERAL AND THE ATLANTIC IN PARTICULAR
 - 6.1 Improvements needed in the FAO classification of statistical categories reflecting recommendations of regional bodies
 - 6.2 A review of the FAO classification and its possible modification for particular regions
 - 6.3 Consideration of a world wide codification of statistical categories for use in an ADP system

7. THE CLASSIFICATION AND CODIFICATION OF FISHING GEAR AND FISHING EFFORT IN THE ATLANTIC FISHERIES
 - 7.1 Review of the Report of ICES Special Meeting on Measurement of Fishing Effort (Copenhagen, September 1970) and subsequent action and recommendations of ICES/ICNAF
 - 7.2 Review of the Report on the International Standard Statistical Classification of Fishing Gear
 - 7.3 Consideration of the utilization of this framework for listing fishing gear in the notes and in the statistics of regional Atlantic fishery commissions, committees and councils.
 - 7.4 Consideration of the possibility of showing catch (by principal species) for regions according to principal types of gear

8. FISHING FLEET STATISTICS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL REGISTERS OF FISHING CRAFT
 - 8.1 Review of FAO Bulletins of Fishery Statistics No. 23 ("Fishing fleet statistics, 1969") and No. 24 ("North Atlantic: Fishing vessels, 1969").
 - 8.2 Ways and means to improve statistics on the actual and potential fishing fleets
 - 8.3 The use of automatic data processing facilities for the collection and reproduction of craft data in an international register of fishing craft for the world as a whole, or specifically for the North Atlantic

9. STANDARDIZATION OF COUNTRY NOMENCLATURE AND SYMBOLS AND FOOTNOTES IN FISHERY STATISTICAL PUBLICATIONS
 - 9.1 Standardization of country nomenclature and country codification
 - 9.2 Standardization of symbols, definitions and footnotes.

10. REVIEW OF STATLANT FORMS AND NOTES FOR THEIR COMPLETION
 - 10.1 Overall review of all forms to be used by Atlantic fishery regional bodies, commissions, committees and councils
 - 10.2 Review of existing procedures for the distribution, collection and presenting of STATLANT forms
 - 10.3 Consideration of instructions related to time adjustments, inclusions, exclusions and coverage of data to be reported
 - 10.4 Statistical treatment of catches and the allocation of catches according to the vessel flag and related problems
 - 10.5 Further proposals for improvement, refinement and standardization of notes for the completion of STATLANT forms
 - 10.6 Considerations of ways and means to expedite (a) return of completed forms and (b) the publication and distribution of resultant international tabulations.

11. PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT OF THE SEVENTH SESSION OF THE CWP
 - 11.1 Publication of the Report of the Seventh Session of the CWP
 - 11.2 Distribution of the Report of the Seventh Session of the CWP

12. OTHER MATTERS.

Appendix III

PROVISIONAL LIST OF POSSIBLE PARTICIPANTS

ICNAF Participants

Mr. L.R. Day (Executive Secretary, ICNAF)
..... a/ (Chairman, ICNAF Subcommittee on Sampling and
Statistics)
..... a/ (U.S.A.)
..... a/ (Denmark)

ICES Participants

Mr. J. Møller Christensen (Statistician, ICES)
Mr. J.A. Pope (Chairman, ICES Statistics Committee)
Mr. Emile Juste (France)
Mr. L. Mietle (Norway)

ICCAT Participants

Mr. Makato Miyake (Assistant Executive Secretary, ICCAT)
Mr. S. Hayashi (Chairman, ICCAT Subcommittee on Statistics)
..... a/ (U.S.A.)
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FAO Participants (also for CEECAF, GFCM and CARPAS)

Mr. J. Gulland (Chief, Fishery Statistics and Economic Data
Branch, FAO)
Mr. L. Butler (Chief, Statistical Services Section, FIES, FAO)
Mr. E. Tamburi (Fishery Statistician, FIES, FAO)

OECD Participant

Mr. Paul Adam (Chief, Fisheries Division, OECD)

SOEC Participant

Mr. S. Louwes (?) (Director, Agricultural Statistics, Statistical Office
of the European Communities)

Council of Europe Participants

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ICSEAF b/ Participants

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Guest experts

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- a/ Names still to be communicated to the Secretary
b/ Subject to this body coming into existence before the Seventh Session
c/ To be determined later