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Canadian proposal for total allowable catches and national allocation for capelin
(*Mallotus mallotus*) stocks in Subareas 2 and 3¹

At the 1973 Annual Meeting a Joint Meeting of Panels 2 and 3 agreed unanimously that total allowable catch for 1974 of 250,000 tons be set for capelin in the Subareas, but that national allocation of shares be decided at the next meeting. At the Special Meeting of the Commission held in Ottawa, 15-19 October, consideration of this matter was deferred to the January 1974 Meeting of the Commission. Canada believes that there are two separate stocks of capelin in Subareas 2 and 3 and proposes that separate total allowable catches and national allocations be set for the two stocks. Consideration should be given to an appropriate division of the stocks, perhaps one in Subarea 2 and Div. 3K and the other in Subarea 3, Div. 3LNO and Subdiv. 3Ps.

¹ Presented to the Special Commission Meeting, FAO, Rome, January 1974, as Comm.Doc. 74/3.