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1. MESH SIZE REGULATIONS

(in force 1 January 1975)

SUBAREA 1

1. The Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the taking of cod, *Gadus morhua* L.; haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.); redbfish, *Sebastes*; halibut, *Hippoglossus hippoglossus* (L.); witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.); American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.); and Greenland halibut, *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* (Walb.), in Subarea 1 by persons under their jurisdiction with trawl nets having in any part of the net meshes of dimensions less than 130 mm or 5-1/8 inches as measured by the ICNAF gauge specified below. These mesh sizes relate to manila twine netting when measured wet after use or the equivalent thereof when measured dry before use. The Commission may, on the basis of scientific advice as to selectivity equivalents, determine the appropriate mesh sizes when trawl nets made of materials other than manila are used or when seine nets are used.

- a) Mesh sizes are measured by a flat wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of 2 centimeters in 8 centimeters and a thickness of 2.3 millimeters, inserted into the meshes under a pressure or pull of 5 kilograms. The mesh size of a net shall be taken to be the average of the measurements of any series of twenty consecutive meshes, at least ten meshes from the lacings, and when measured in the codend of the net beginning at the after end and running parallel to the long axis.

2. The Contracting Governments prohibit the use, by any person to whom this proposal would apply, of any means or device, other than those described in paragraph 3, which would obstruct the meshes of the nets or which would otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of the nets, provided that devices may be attached to the upper side of the codend in such a manner that they will not obstruct the meshes of the codend. Any such device must have the approval of the Commission based on scientific advice that the attached devices do not obstruct the meshes or reduce significantly the selectivity of the codend. Any approval so given may be withdrawn at any time on giving not less than 12 months' notice to the Contracting Governments.

3. The Contracting Governments permit any canvas, netting, or other material to be attached to the underside only of the codend of a net to reduce and prevent damage.

SUBAREA 2

1. The Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the taking of cod, *Gadus morhua* L.; haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.); redbfish, *Sebastes*; halibut, *Hippoglossus hippoglossus* (L.); witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.); American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.); and Greenland halibut, *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* (Walb.) in Subarea 2 by persons under their jurisdiction with trawl nets having in any part of the net meshes of dimensions less than 130 mm or 5-1/8 inches as measured by the ICNAF gauge specified below. These mesh sizes relate to manila twine netting when measured wet after use or the equivalent thereof when measured dry before use. The Commission may, on the basis of scientific advice as to selectivity equivalents, determine the appropriate mesh sizes when trawl nets made of materials other than manila are used or when seine nets are used.

- a) Mesh sizes are measured by a flat wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of 2 centimeters in 8 centimeters and a thickness of 2.3 millimeters, inserted into the meshes under a pressure or pull of 5 kilograms. The mesh size of a net shall be taken to be the average of the measurements of any series of twenty consecutive meshes, at least ten meshes from the lacings, and when measured in the codend of the net beginning at the after end and running parallel to the long axis.

2. The Contracting Governments prohibit the use, by any person to whom this proposal would apply, of any means or device, other than those described in paragraph 3, which would obstruct the meshes of the nets or which would otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of the nets, provided that devices may be attached to the upper side of the codend in such a manner that they will not obstruct the meshes of the codend. Any such device must have the approval of the Commission based on scientific advice that the attached devices do not obstruct the meshes or reduce significantly the selectivity of the codend. Any approval so given may be withdrawn at any time on giving not less than 12 months' notice to the Contracting Governments.

3. The Contracting Governments permit any canvas, netting, or other material to be attached to the underside only of the codend of a net to reduce and prevent damage.

SUBAREA 3

1. The Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit (except as provided in paragraphs 2 and 3) the taking of cod, *Gadus morhua* L.; haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.); redfish, *Sebastes*; halibut, *Hippoglossus hippoglossus* (L.); witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.); yellowtail flounder, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer); American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.); Greenland halibut, *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* (Walb.); pollock (saithe), *Pollachius virens* (L.); and white hake, *Urophycis tenuis* (Mitch.) in Subarea 3 by persons under their jurisdiction with trawl nets having in any part of the net meshes of dimensions less than 130 mm or 5-1/8 inches as measured by the ICNAF gauge specified below. These mesh sizes relate to manila twine netting when measured wet after use or the equivalent thereof when measured dry before use. The Commission may, on the basis of scientific advice as to selectivity equivalents, determine the appropriate mesh sizes when trawl nets made of materials other than manila are used or when seine nets are used.

- a) Mesh sizes are measured by a flat wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of 2 centimeters in 8 centimeters and a thickness of 2.3 millimeters, inserted into the meshes under a pressure or pull of 5 kilograms. The mesh size of a net shall be taken to be the average of the measurements of any series of twenty consecutive meshes, at least ten meshes from the lacings, and when measured in the codend of the net beginning at the after end and running parallel to the long axis.

2. The prohibition set out in paragraph 1 shall not apply to the taking of redfish (genus *Sebastes*) in the statistical Divisions 3N, 3O, and 3P of Subarea 3.

3. (i) In order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted primarily for redfish (genus *Sebastes*) in the area specified in paragraph 2 above and which take small quantities of cod, haddock, and other regulated species incidentally, the Contracting Governments permit persons under their jurisdiction to take these species with nets having a mesh size less than that specified in paragraph 1 above,
 - a) so long as such persons do not have in possession (either at sea or at the time of off-loading) on board a vessel, fishing primarily for redfish with small meshed nets, which has been fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 for 10 days or more since leaving port or previously off-loading cod, haddock, or other species mentioned in paragraph 1 above in excess of 10% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, or
 - b) so long as such persons, who do not land or off-load within 10 days, following an initial period of the first 48 hours fishing in the Convention Area or in Statistical Area 6 do not have on board, at any time up to 10 days, a vessel fishing primarily for redfish, cod, haddock, or other species mentioned in paragraph 1 above taken together in amounts in excess of 5,000 kg for each or 20% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, whichever is greater, or
 - c) so long as such persons, on landing or off-loading the catch less than 10 days after previously landing or off-loading, do not have in possession on board a vessel fishing primarily for redfish, cod, haddock, or other species mentioned in paragraph 1 above taken together in amounts in excess of 2,500 kg for each, or 15% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, whichever is greater.
- (ii) Should it be observed during an inspection under the Joint Enforcement Scheme that a vessel is taking protected species in excessive amounts during the first 48 hours fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 since leaving port or previously off-loading, the inspector shall note this fact on the inspection report and bring it to the attention of the master. Such an observation in itself shall not be considered an infringement.

(Paragraph 3 above effective 11 January 1975)

4. The Contracting Governments prohibit the use, by any person to whom this proposal would apply, of any means or device, other than those described in paragraph 5, which would obstruct the meshes of the nets or which would otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of the nets, provided that devices may be attached to the upper side of the codend in such a manner that they will not obstruct the meshes of the codend. Any such device must have the approval of the Commission based on scientific advice that the attached devices do not obstruct the meshes or reduce significantly the selectivity of the codend. Any approval so given may be withdrawn at any time on giving not less than 12 months' notice to the Contracting Governments.

5. The Contracting Governments permit any canvas, netting, or other material to be attached to the under-side only of the codend of a net to reduce and prevent damage.

SUBAREA 4

1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit (except as provided in paragraph 2) the taking of cod, *Gadus morhua* L.; haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.); and flounders: witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.); yellowtail, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer); winter flounder, *Pseudopleuronectes americanus* (Walb.); and American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.) in Subarea 4 by persons under their jurisdiction with trawl nets having in any part of the net other than the codend, meshes of dimensions less than 114 mm or 4-1/2 inches, and having in the codend of nets, meshes of dimensions of less than 130 mm or 5-1/8 inches measured by the ICNAF gauge specified below. These mesh sizes relate to manila twine netting when measured wet after use or the equivalent thereof when measured dry before use. The Commission may, on the basis of scientific advice as to selectivity equivalents, determine the appropriate mesh sizes when trawl nets made of materials other than manila are used or when seine nets are used.

- a) Mesh sizes are measured by a flat wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of 2 centimeters in 8 centimeters and a thickness of 2.3 millimeters, inserted into the meshes under a pressure or pull of 5 kilograms. The mesh size of a net shall be taken to be the average of the measurements of any series of twenty consecutive meshes, at least ten meshes from the lacings, and when measured in the codend of the net beginning at the after end and running parallel to the long axis.
2. (1) In order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted primarily for other species and which take small quantities of cod, haddock and flounders incidentally, the Contracting Governments permit persons under their jurisdiction to take cod, haddock and flounders with nets having a mesh size less than that specified in the preceding paragraph,
- a) so long as such persons do not have in possession (either at sea or at the time of off-loading) on board a vessel fishing primarily for other species which has been fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 for 10 days or more since leaving port or previously off-loading, cod, haddock, or flounders in excess of 10% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, or
 - b) so long as such persons, who do not land or off-load within 10 days, following an initial period of the first 48 hours fishing in the Convention Area or in Statistical Area 6 do not have on board, at any time up to 10 days, a vessel fishing primarily for other species, cod, haddock, or flounders in amounts in excess of 5,000 kg for each or 20% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, whichever is greater, or
 - c) so long as such persons, on landing or off-loading the catch less than 10 days after previously landing or off-loading, do not have in possession on board a vessel fishing primarily for other species, cod, haddock, or flounders in amounts in excess of 2,500 kg for each, or 15% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, whichever is greater.
- (ii) Should it be observed during an inspection under the Joint Enforcement Scheme that a vessel is taking protected species in excessive amounts during the first 48 hours fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 since leaving port or previously off-loading, the inspector shall note this fact on the inspection report and bring it to the attention of the master. Such an observation in itself shall not be considered an infringement.

(Paragraph 2 above effective 11 January 1975)

3. The Contracting Governments prohibit the use, by any persons to whom this proposal would apply, of any means or device other than those described in paragraph 4, which would obstruct the meshes of the nets or which would otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of the meshes of the nets, provided that devices may be attached to the upper side of the codend in such a manner that they will not obstruct the meshes of the codend. Any such device must have the approval of the Commission based on scientific advice that the attached devices do not obstruct the meshes or reduce significantly the selectivity of the codend. Any approval so given may be withdrawn, at any time, on giving not less than 12 months' notice to the Contracting Governments.

4. The Contracting Governments permit any canvas, netting, or other material to be attached to the underside only of the codend of a net to reduce and prevent damage.

SUBAREA 5

1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit (except as provided in paragraph 2) the taking of cod, *Gadus morhua* L.; haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.); and yellowtail flounder, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer) in Subarea 5, by persons under their jurisdiction, with trawl nets having in any part of the net other than the codend, meshes of dimensions less than 114 mm or 4-1/2 inches, and having in the codend of the nets, meshes of dimensions less than 130 mm or 5-1/8 inches measured by the ICNAF gauge specified below. These mesh sizes relate to manila twine netting when measured wet after use or the equivalent thereof when measured dry before use. The Commission may, on the basis of scientific advice as to selectivity equivalents, determine the appropriate mesh sizes when trawl nets made of materials other than manila are used or when seine nets are used.

a) Mesh sizes are measured by a flat wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of 2 centimeters in 8 centimeters and a thickness of 2.3 millimeters, inserted into the meshes under a pressure or pull of 5 kilograms. The mesh size of a net shall be taken to be the average of the measurements of any series of twenty consecutive meshes, at least ten meshes from the lacings, and when measured in the codend of the net beginning at the after end and running parallel to the long axis.

2. (i) In order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted primarily for other species and which take small quantities of cod, haddock, and yellowtail flounder incidentally, the Contracting Governments permit persons under their jurisdictions to take cod, haddock, and yellowtail flounder with nets having a mesh size less than that specified in the preceding paragraph,

a) so long as such persons do not have in possession (either at sea or at the time of off-loading) on board a vessel fishing primarily for other species which has been fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 for 10 days or more since leaving port or previously off-loading, cod, haddock, or yellowtail flounder in excess of 10% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, or

b) so long as such persons, who do not land or off-load within 10 days, following an initial period of the first 48 hours fishing in the Convention Area or in Statistical Area 6 do not have on board, at any time up to 10 days, a vessel fishing primarily for other species, cod, haddock, or yellowtail flounder in amounts in excess of 5,000 kg for each or 20% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, whichever is greater, or

c) so long as such persons, on landing or off-loading the catch less than 10 days after previously landing or off-loading, do not have in possession on board a vessel fishing primarily for other species, cod, haddock, or yellowtail flounder in amounts in excess of 2,500 kg for each, or 15% by weight for each, of all fish on board such vessel, whichever is greater.

(ii) Should it be observed during an inspection under the Joint Enforcement Scheme that a vessel is taking protected species in excessive amounts during the first 48 hours fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 since leaving port or previously off-loading, the inspector shall note this fact on the inspection report and bring it to the attention of the master. Such an observation in itself shall not be considered an infringement.

(Paragraph 2 above effective 11 January 1975)

3. The Contracting Governments prohibit the use, by any person to whom this proposal would apply, of any means or device, other than those described in paragraph 4, which would obstruct the meshes of the nets or which would otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of the meshes of the nets, provided that devices may be attached to the upper side of the codend in such a manner that they will not obstruct the meshes of the codend. Any such device must have the approval of the Commission based on scientific advice that the attached devices do not obstruct the meshes or reduce significantly the selectivity of the codend. Any approval so given may be withdrawn, at any time, on giving not less than 12 months' notice to the Contracting Governments.

4. The Contracting Governments permit any canvas, netting, or other material to be attached to the underside only of the codend of a net to reduce and prevent damage.

2. SIMPLIFIED GUIDE TO ICNAF MESH SIZE REGULATIONS, 1975

NOTE: This simplified guide is prepared for the benefit of those who need an easy reference to the ICNAF trawl regulations. It does not have the force of law: those with questions of a legal nature must refer to the actual ICNAF regulations in force and national implementing laws and regulations.

The Contracting Governments to the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (hereinafter referred to as the Parties) have agreed as follows:

- 1) To prohibit persons or vessels under their jurisdiction from using a trawl net or seine net for catching the species mentioned in paragraph (2) of these regulations which has a mesh size less than that mentioned in or determined under paragraph (3), except as provided in paragraph (8).
- 2) These regulations shall apply to the following species:
 - a) in Subarea 1 - cod, *Gadus morhua* L.,
 - haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.),
 - redfish, *Sebastes*,
 - halibut, *Hippoglossus hippoglossus* (L.),
 - witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.),
 - American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.),
 - Greenland halibut, *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* (Walb.).
 - b) in Subarea 2 - cod, *Gadus morhua* L.,
 - haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.),
 - redfish, *Sebastes*,
 - halibut, *Hippoglossus hippoglossus* (L.),
 - witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.),
 - American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.),
 - Greenland halibut, *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* (Walb.).
 - c) in Subarea 3 - cod, *Gadus morhua* L.,
 - haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.),
 - redfish, *Sebastes*, except in the statistical Div. 3N, 3O, and 3P,
 - halibut, *Hippoglossus hippoglossus* (L.),
 - witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.),
 - yellowtail flounder, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer),
 - American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.),
 - Greenland halibut, *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides* (Walb.),
 - pollock (saithe), *Pollachius virens* (L.),
 - white hake, *Urophycis tenuis* (Mitch.).
 - d) in Subarea 4 - cod, *Gadus morhua* L.,
 - haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.),
 - flounders:
 - witch, *Glyptocephalus cynoglossus* (L.),
 - yellowtail flounder, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer),
 - winter flounder, *Pseudopleuronectes americanus* (Walb.),
 - American plaice, *Hippoglossoides platessoides* (Fab.).
 - e) in Subarea 5 - cod, *Gadus morhua* L.,
 - haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.),
 - yellowtail flounder, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer).
- 3) The minimum mesh sizes for nets measured with the gauge specified in paragraph (4) are:
 - a) for trawl nets made of manila when measured wet after use or their equivalents when measured dry before use,
 - i) in Subareas 1, 2, and 3 - 130 mm
 - ii) in Subareas 4 and 5 - 130 mm in the codend
- 114 mm in rest of net
 - b) for seine nets and for trawl nets made of materials other than manila such mesh sizes as the Commission may, on the basis of scientific advice as to selectivity equivalents, determine to be appropriate to the mesh sizes specified in sub-paragraph (3a).
- 4) Mesh sizes are measured by a flat wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of 2 cm in 8 cm and a thickness of 2.3 mm, inserted into the meshes under a pressure or pull of 5 kg.

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- 5) For the purpose of paragraph (1) the mesh size of the net shall be taken to be the average of the measurements of any series of 20 consecutive meshes, at least 10 meshes from the lacings, in the codend beginning at the after end and running parallel to the long axis.
- 6) No means or device may be used in any net under these regulations, other than those described in paragraph (7), which would obstruct the meshes of the nets or which would otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of the meshes.
- 7)
 - a) The Commission may approve devices to be attached to the upper side of the codend, based on scientific advice that the attached devices do not obstruct the meshes or reduce significantly the selectivity of the codend. Any approval so given may be withdrawn at any time on giving not less than 12 months' notice to the Contracting Governments.
 - b) Any canvas, netting, or other material may be attached to the underside only of the codend of a net to reduce and prevent damage.
- 8)
 - a) In order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted primarily for species to which these regulations do not apply and which take incidentally small amounts of species to which these regulations do apply, regulated species, as specified in sub-paragraph (8c), may be taken with trawl nets having a mesh size less than that specified in paragraph (3).
 - b) Regulated species may be taken in accordance with sub-paragraph (8a) so long as such regulated species are not
 - i) in possession on board a vessel fishing in the Convention Area and Statistical Area 6 for 10 days or more since leaving port or previously off-loading primarily for non-regulated species in amounts in excess of 10% by weight for each, or
 - ii) in possession on board a vessel not landing or off-loading within 10 days and fishing in the Convention Area or Statistical Area 6 in its 3rd to 9th day primarily for non-regulated species in amounts in excess of the greater of either:
 - a) 5,000 kg for each, or
 - b) 20% by weight for each,
 - iii) in possession on board a vessel landing or off-loading less than 10 days after previously landing or off-loading and fishing primarily for non-regulated species in amounts in excess of the greater of either:
 - a) 2,500 kg for each, or
 - b) 15% by weight for each.
 - c) The classes of regulated species to which this paragraph applies are:
 - i) in Subarea 3 to:
 - a) cod,
 - b) haddock,
 - c) other species mentioned in sub-paragraph (2c) taken together.
 - ii) in Subarea 4 to:
 - a) cod,
 - b) haddock,
 - c) flounders, as mentioned in sub-paragraph (2d).
 - iii) in Subarea 5 to:
 - a) cod,
 - b) haddock,
 - c) yellowtail flounder.

3. FISHING GEAR REGULATIONS

SUBAREA 5 AND STATISTICAL AREA 6

Proposal (11) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international regulation of fishing gear employed in the fisheries in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in the adjacent waters to the west and south within Statistical Area 6:

That the International Regulation of Fishing Gear in Subarea 5, adopted at the Special Commission Meeting, October 1973 (October 1973 Meeting Proceedings No. 3, Appendix II) and entered into force 7 May 1974, be replaced by the following:

"1. That each Contracting Government take appropriate action to prohibit the taking of fish, other than crustacea, from vessels over 145 feet (44.2 m) in length by persons under its jurisdiction with fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear (purse seines or true midwater trawls, using midwater trawl doors incapable of being fished on the bottom) during the period from 1 July through 31 December in the area adjacent to the United States coast within that part of Subarea 5 (Southern New England and Gulf of Maine) and the adjacent waters to the west and south which lies north of 39°00'N and north of straight lines connecting 39°00'N, 73°00'W; 40°20'N, 71°40'W and 40°20'N, 68°15'W, and south and west of a straight line drawn between the points: 68°15'W, 40°20'N and 70°00'W, 43°17'N.

"2. That Contracting Governments prohibit any person to whom paragraph 1 above would apply from attaching any protective device to pelagic fishing gear or employing any means which would, in effect, make it possible to fish for demersal species in the area described in paragraph 1 above.

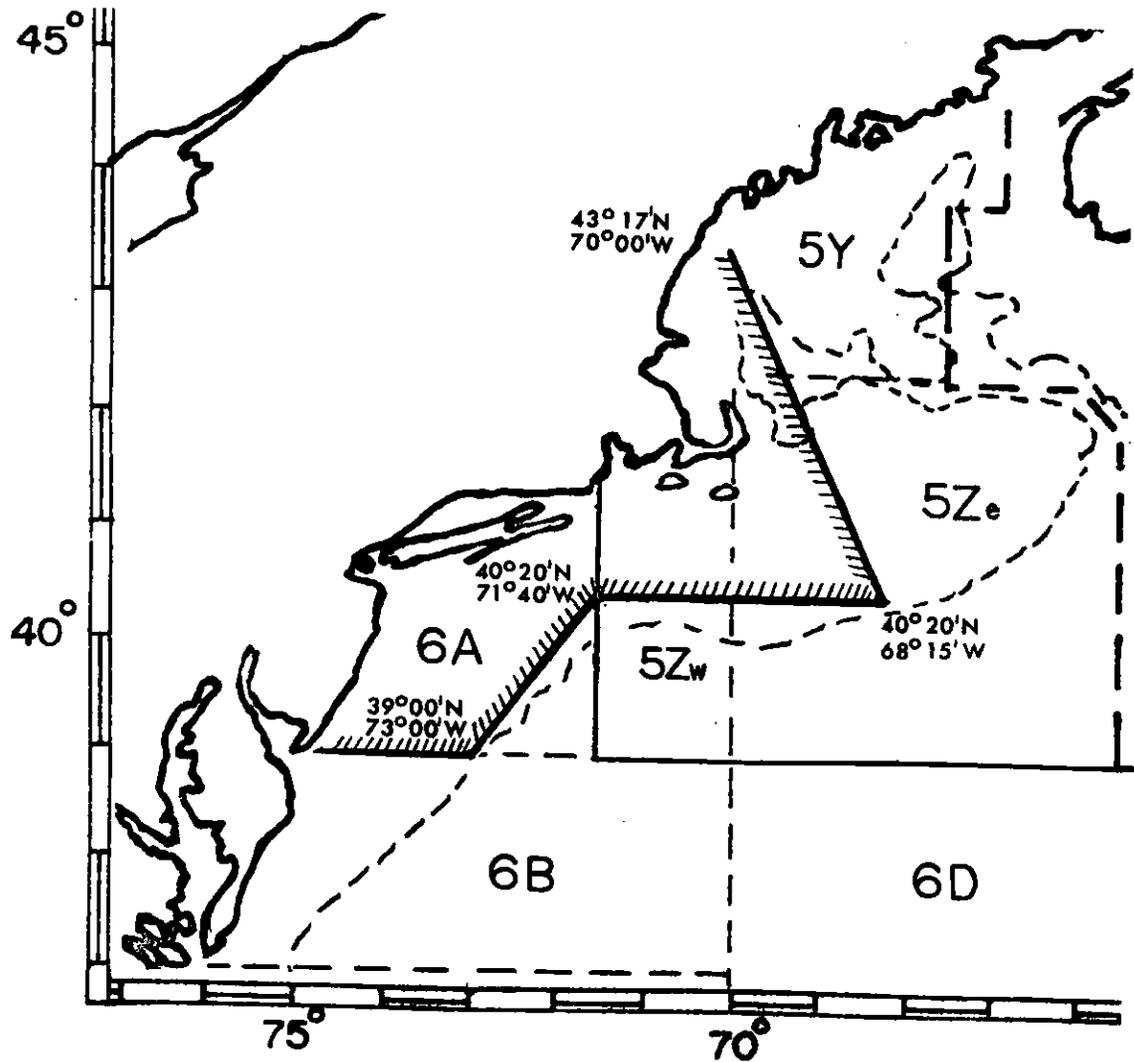
"3. That nothing in this proposal shall affect the trawl mesh-size requirements in force in Subarea 5.

"4. That Contracting Governments shall take appropriate action to phase out fishing operations in this area by vessels between 130 feet (39.6 m) and 145 feet (44.2 m) in length by 31 December 1976. The number of these vessels operating in the area specified in paragraph 1 above shall be reduced by 50% in 1975 and a reduction of the remaining number of vessels shall take place during 1976."

NOTE: Attached is a chart illustrating the area affected by this proposal.

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

Chart illustrating the area affected by Proposal (11) for International Regulation of Fishing Gear Employed in the Fisheries in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in Adjacent Waters to the West and South in Statistical Area 6, adopted by the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries in Plenary Session on 14 June 1974, and entered into force on 11 January 1975.



Proposal (1) from the November 1974 Fifth Special Commission Meeting for international regulation of fishing gear employed in the fisheries in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in the adjacent waters to the west and south within Statistical Area 6:

That Proposal (11) for International Regulation of Fishing Gear Employed in Subarea 5 and in Adjacent Waters to the West and South within Statistical Area 6, adopted at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 11, Appendix II, page 190) and entered into force on 11 January 1975, be replaced by the following:

"1. That each Contracting Government take appropriate action to prohibit the taking of fish, other than crustacea, from vessels over 130 feet (39.6 m) in length by persons under its jurisdiction with fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear (purse seines or true midwater trawls, using midwater trawl doors incapable of being fished on the bottom), in the area adjacent to the United States coast within that part of Subarea 5 (Southern New England and Gulf of Maine) and the adjacent waters to the west and south which lies north of 39°00'N and north of straight lines connecting 39°00'N, 73°30'W; 40°20'N, 72°33'W and 40°20'N, 68°15'W, and south and west of a straight line drawn between the points: 40°20'N, 68°15'W and 43°17'N, 70°00'W.

"2. That Contracting Governments prohibit any person to whom paragraph 1 above would apply from attaching any protective device to pelagic fishing gear or employing any means which would, in effect, make it possible to fish for demersal species in the area described in paragraph 1 above.

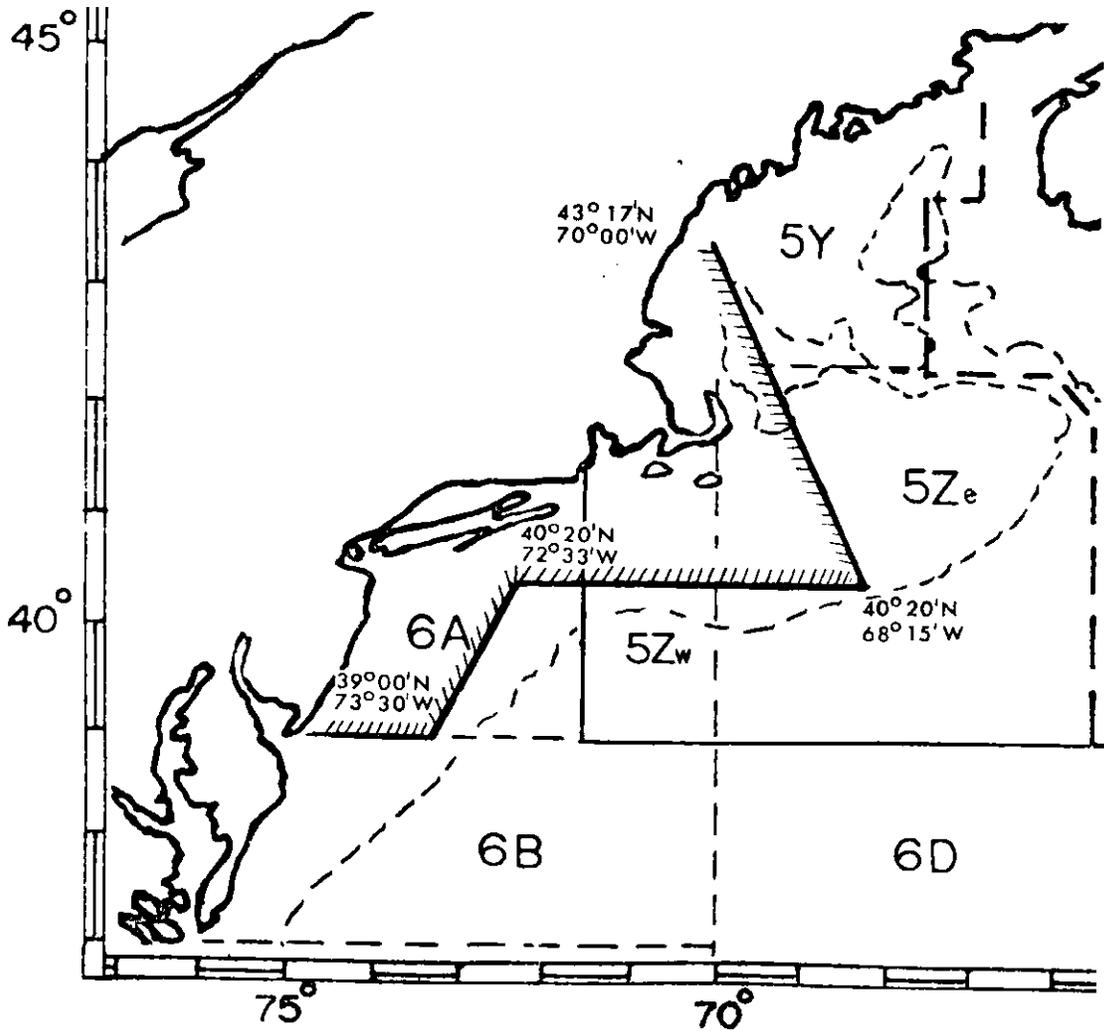
"3. That nothing in this proposal shall affect the trawl mesh-size requirements in force in Subarea 5.

"4. That Contracting Governments shall take appropriate action to phase out fishing operations in this area by vessels between 130 feet (39.6 m) and 145 feet (44.2 m) in length using fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear by 31 December 1974."

NOTE: Attached is a chart illustrating the area affected by this proposal.

Date of entry into force:

Chart illustrating the area affected by Proposal (1) for International Regulation of Fishing Gear Employed in the Fisheries in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in Adjacent Waters to the West and South within Statistical Area 6, adopted by the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries on 31 December 1974 by a vote taken in accordance with Commission Rule of Procedure 2.4



4. QUOTA, BY-CATCH, GEAR, SEASON, AND AREA REGULATIONS

MANAGEMENT OF QUOTA REGULATIONS

Proposal (14) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for management of international quota regulations:

"1. That this regulation shall apply to all national allocation quota regulations (each such regulation hereinafter referred to as "the regulation") unless any such regulation shall specify otherwise.

First Tier Quotas

"2. That, for any such regulation for particular stocks or species,

(a) Competent Authorities from each Government shall limit, in the period to which the regulation applies (each such period hereinafter referred to as "the period"), the catches of the stocks or species mentioned in the regulation, taken by persons under its jurisdiction in the region referred to in the regulation, to the amount listed for that Government or in the case of Contracting Governments not listed by name to the amount listed under "Others";

(b) Each Government mentioned by name shall take appropriate action to prohibit fishing during the period by persons under its jurisdiction for the stocks or species in the region mentioned in the regulation on the date on which

accumulated reported catch,
estimated unreported catch,
the quantity estimated to be taken before closure could be introduced, and
the likely incidental catch for the remainder of the period,

equal 100 percent of the allowable catch indicated in the regulation for it. Each Government mentioned by name shall promptly notify the Executive Secretary of the date on which persons under its jurisdiction will cease a directed fishery for the stocks or species in the region mentioned in the regulation. The Executive Secretary shall promptly inform all Contracting Governments of such notification;

(c) Each Contracting Government not mentioned by name shall promptly notify the Executive Secretary if persons under its jurisdiction engage in a fishery during the period on the stocks or species in the region mentioned in the regulation, together if possible with an estimate of the projected catch and it shall also promptly report catches of the stocks or species in the region mentioned in the regulation by persons under its jurisdiction in increments of 100 tons. The Executive Secretary shall notify all Contracting Governments, of the date on which

accumulated reported catch,
estimated unreported catch,
the quantity estimated to be taken before closure could be introduced, and
the likely incidental catch for the remainder of the period,

by persons under the jurisdiction of Contracting Governments not mentioned by name equal 100 percent of the allowable catch designated as for "Others" in the regulation. Within 10 days of the receipt of such notification from the Executive Secretary, each Contracting Government not mentioned by name shall prohibit fishing by persons under its jurisdiction for the stocks or species in the region mentioned in the regulation, except for small unavoidable incidental catches in directed fisheries for other stocks or species.

Second Tier Quotas

"3. That, for any group of stocks or species for which an allocation is prescribed for the whole group in addition to allocations for the particular stocks or species,

(a) Competent Authorities from each Government shall limit the catches of the stocks or species of the whole group taken during the period by persons under its jurisdiction in the region referred to in the regulation, to the amount listed for that Government or in the case of Contracting Governments not mentioned by name to the amount listed under "Others";

(b) Each Government mentioned by name shall take appropriate action to prohibit fishing during the period by persons under its jurisdiction in the region mentioned in the regulation on

the date on which

accumulated reported catch,
estimated unreported catch, and
the quantity estimated to be taken before closure could be introduced,

equal 100 percent of its allowable catch for the whole group of stocks or species indicated in the regulation. This shall apply whether or not it has, on that date, caught the full amount allocated to it for any particular species or stock in that area under any regulation. Each Government mentioned by name shall promptly notify the Executive Secretary of the date on which its vessels will cease a fishery in the region mentioned in the regulation. The Executive Secretary shall promptly inform all Contracting Governments of such notification;

- (c) Each Contracting Government not mentioned by name shall promptly notify the Executive Secretary if persons under its jurisdiction engage in a fishery during the period in the region mentioned in the regulation, together if possible with an estimate of the projected catch, and it shall also promptly report catches in the region mentioned in the regulation by persons under its jurisdiction in increments of 100 tons. The Executive Secretary shall notify all Contracting Governments, of the date on which

accumulated reported catch,
estimated unreported catch, and
the quantity estimated to be taken before closure could be introduced,

by persons under the jurisdiction of Contracting Governments not mentioned by name equal 100 percent of the allowable catch for the whole group of stocks or species designated as for "Others" in the regulation. Within 10 days of the receipt of such notification from the Executive Secretary, each Contracting Government not mentioned by name shall prohibit fishing by persons under its jurisdiction in the region mentioned in the regulation. This shall apply whether or not any such Government has, on that date, caught the full amount allocated to it for any particular species or stock in that area under any regulation.

Recording of Catch

"4. That the Governments take appropriate action to ensure that all vessels under their jurisdiction which fish in the Convention Area and in the adjacent waters to the west within Statistical Area 0 and in the adjacent waters to the west and south within Statistical Area 6 record their catches during the period on a daily basis according to position, amount, date, type of gear, amount of effort, i.e., number of sets (or hooks) x time gear on the bottom (otter trawl) or fishing (midwater trawl, lines, other gear), discards, catch composition, and disposition of catch.

Other

"5. That, with regard to any national allocation quota regulations set out in tabular form, each linear entry in the table shall be considered a separate proposal under Article VIII of the Convention as amended. Further, sub-paragraphs 2(c) and 3(c) shall apply to each Contracting Government without a specific quota allocation in any linear entry in the table notwithstanding that sub-paragraphs 2(b) and 3(b) may apply to it with respect to another linear entry in the table.

"6. That the allocations in any quota regulation are without prejudice to future allocations of catches for any species or stocks."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

FISHERIES (TWO-TIER) - CONVENTION AREA AND IN ADJACENT WATERS TO THE WEST AND SOUTH WITHIN STATISTICAL AREA 6

Proposal (13) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fisheries in the Convention Area and in adjacent waters to the west and south within Statistical Area 6:

- "That (a) the national quota allocation for 1975 of particular stocks or species in the Convention Area, and
- (b) the national quota allocation for 1975 of the whole group of stocks or species in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in adjacent waters to the west and south in Statistical Area 6 (excluding menhaden, tunas, billfishes and sharks other than dogfish)

shall be in accordance with the following table:

Table - Integral part of the Proposal for International Quota Regulation of the Fisheries in the Convention Area and in the Adjacent Waters to the West and South within Statistical Area 6, adopted by the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries in Plenary Session on 14 June 1974.
 (a) National allocations (in metric tons) for 1975 of particular stocks or species in the Convention Area. Quantities in parentheses are estimated catches outside the Convention Area. (Total = Total Allowable Catches (TAC)).

Species or stock	Stock region	Bulgaria	Canada	Denmark	France	Fed. Rep. Germany	German Dem. Rep.	Iceland	Italy	Japan	Norway	Poland	Portugal	Romania	Spain	USSR	UK	USA	Others	Total
Cod	T	-	19,600 (9,000)	-	2,800	12,000	700	-	-	-	4,800	-	4,900	-	4,000	200	1,500	-	500	60,000
	2GH	-	-	-	500	4,000	1,000	-	-	-	900	4,500	3,200	400	500	2,600	800	-	600	20,000
	2J-3KL	-	(1,000) 38,000 (50,000)	9,000	40,000	40,000	25,000	-	-	-	13,000	37,000	105,000	-	80,000	90,000	14,000	-	13,000	554,000
	3M	-	3,000	7,200	7,000	500	-	-	-	-	1,400	800	10,400	-	2,200	5,200	2,200	-	100	40,000
	3NO	-	12,700	800	900	-	-	-	-	-	2,100	-	5,500	-	39,600	21,800	1,300	-	3,000	87,700
	3Ps	-	15,900	-	4,400	-	-	-	-	-	1,400	-	-	-	14,100	1,600	-	-	4,000	62,400
	4T(Jan-Dec)	-	27,700	1,300	6,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	750	-	3,450	-	-	-	300	50,000
	4Vn(Jan-Apr)	-	5,800	-	400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	900	-	-	-	500	10,000
	4Vn(May-Dec)	-	(2,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60,000
	4VnH	-	24,250	1,150	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	28,500	2,900	-	-	1,200	60,000
	4X(offshore) ¹⁾	-	3,200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100	200	300	-	200	5,000
	5Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,000	-	1,000	10,000
	5Z	-	4,820	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	487	-	-	7,088	2,468	-	19,000	1,137	35,000
Haddock	4VW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
	4X	-	12,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	500	15,000
	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Redfish	2+3K	-	3,500	-	-	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	4,000	2,500	-	-	12,000	-	750	4,750	30,000
	3H	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,600	-	-	2,400	16,000
	3LH	-	1,300	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	13,800	-	-	2,900	20,000
	3O	-	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,300	-	-	1,200	16,000
	3P	-	12,500	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,800	-	-	1,700	25,000
	4VWX	-	14,860	-	740	-	-	-	-	-	-	970	-	-	-	4,900	-	7,430	1,100	30,000
	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	343	-	1,438	-	20,622	2,597	25,000
Herring	4VW(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
	Jan-Jun '75	-	26,500	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	-	500	30,000
	Jul '75-Jun '76	-	39,800	-	-	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	-	-	700	45,000
	4X(b)	-	68,500	-	-	750	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	19,000	-	1,000	500	90,000
	5Y	-	7,000	-	-	23,750	31,150	-	-	-	-	38,400	-	-	-	42,100	-	16,250	250	25,000
	5Z+6	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,400	4,200	150,000

Table (a) continued

Species or stock	Stock region	Bulgaria	Canada	Denmark	France	Fed. Rep. Germany	German Dem. Rep.	Iceland	Italy	Japan	Norway	Poland	Portugal	Romania	Spain	USSR	UK	USA	Others	Total
American plaice	2+3K	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,200	-	-	300	8,000
	3M	-	(1,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	500	2,000
	3LN0 3Ps	-	49,700 8,800	-	900 800	-	-	-	-	-	-	900	-	-	-	8,000	-	-	500 1,400	60,000 11,000
Yellowtail	3LN0 5(E of 69*) 5(W of 69*)+6 ²	-	30,500	-	400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000	-	15,000	100	35,000 16,000	
Witch	2J-3KL	-	4,600 (2,000)	-	-	-	400	-	-	-	-	4,600	-	-	-	4,900	-	-	500	17,000
	3N0 3Ps	-	5,000 2,500	-	400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,900	-	-	100 100	10,000 3,000
	Greenland halibut	2+3KL	-	9,000 (5,000)	-	-	-	3,000	-	-	-	8,400	-	-	-	9,000	-	-	5,600	40,000
Roundnose grenadier	DH1 2+3	-	-	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,500 24,000	-	-	2,900 4,000	10,000 ³ 32,000
	Yellowtail, witch, American plaice (combined)	4VWX	-	20,000	-	300	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,500	-	500	700	32,000
Flounders, except yellowtail	5+6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	23,900	100	25,000
	Silver hake	4VWX 5Y 5Z 5ZM+6	-	4,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108,000 900 60,200 52,200	-	-	8,000 1,100 7,700 7,400	120,000 15,000 80,000 80,000
Red hake	5Z(E of 69*) 5Z(W of 69*) +6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,000 30,400	-	1,000 11,900	5,000 2,700	20,000 45,000

Table (a) - continued

Species or stock	Stock region	Bulgaria	Canada	Denmark	France	Fed. Rep. Germany	German Dem. Rep.	Iceland	Italy	Japan	Norway	Poland	Portugal	Romania	Spain	USSR	UK	USA	Others	Total
Pollack	4VMX+5	-	33,500	-	-	1,600	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,200	2,100	-	11,500	1,600	55,000
Capelin	2+3 ⁴ 3LNDP ⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mackerel	3+4	-	19,000 (20,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,000	-	1,000	8,000	70,000
	5+6	18,750	7,500	-	-	1,400	56,250	-	-	-	90,000	-	-	3,750	-	101,250	-	4,700	1,400	285,000
Argentine	4VMX	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	16,500	-	-	2,500	25,000
Squid	3+4 ⁵ 5+6	-	10,000	-	-	1,000	-	-	4,700	24,300	-	6,800	-	-	13,000	15,000	-	5,600	7,100	25,000 ⁵ 71,000
Other finfish ⁶	5+6	4,000	-	-	-	-	3,000	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	68,000	15,000	150,000

1 Defined as that portion of Div. 4X lying south and east of the straight lines joining coordinates in the order listed: 44°20'N, 63°20'W; 43°00'N, 66°40'W; 43°00'N, 67°40'W.
 2 Deferred to Special Meeting, November 1974.
 3 TACs and allocations pertain to Subarea 1 and Statistical Area "Zero" (Baffin Island area).
 4 Deferred to Special Meeting, January 1975.
 5 Countries without an allocation may take not more than 3,000 tons each, in addition to TAC.
 6 Includes Argentine

(b) National allocations for 1975 of stocks or species (collectively) in Subarea 5 and Statistical Area 6.

Species or stock	Stock region	Bulgaria	Canada	Denmark	France	Fed. Rep. Germany	German Dem. Rep.	Iceland	Italy	Japan	Norway	Poland	Portugal	Romania	Spain	USSR	UK	USA	Others	Total
All finfish and squid	5+6	24,650	26,000	-	2,950	24,850	82,850	-	4,150	21,250	-	129,250	-	3,850	14,800	301,800	-	211,600	2,000	850,000

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

CAPELIN - SUBAREAS 2 AND 3

Proposal (2) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for capelin in Subareas 2 and 3:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to regulate the catches of capelin by persons under their jurisdiction fishing in Subareas 2 and 3 so that the aggregate catches of capelin by vessels from these stocks shall not exceed in 1975 the amounts which are decided for specified areas at a Special Commission Meeting in January 1975 by unanimous vote of the Contracting Governments present and voting, which amounts and areas shall become effective for all Contracting Governments upon receipt of notification from the Depositary Government of the amounts decided by the Commission.

"2. That Competent Authorities from each Contracting Government shall limit in 1975 the catches of capelin taken by persons under their jurisdiction from the above-mentioned stocks to the amounts which are decided for each Contracting Government in the specified areas decided upon at the above-mentioned Special Meeting by unanimous vote of the Contracting Governments present and voting, which amounts and which specified areas shall become effective for all Contracting Governments upon receipt of notification from the Depositary Government of the amounts and specified areas decided by the Commission."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

Proposal (1) from the January 1975 Special Commission Meeting for international regulation of the fishery for capelin in Subareas 2 and 3:

"A. That the national quota allocation for 1975 of capelin in Subareas 2 and 3 of the Convention Area shall be in accordance with the following table (all amounts shown are in metric tons):

Species or stock	Stock region	Canada	Norway	USSR	Others
Capelin	Subarea 2 + Division 3K	-	-	160,000	10,000 each
	Subdivision 3Ps ^a	9,000 ^b	0	0	5,000 each
	Division 3L ^a	10,000 ^b	7,000 ^b	28,000 ^b	
	Divisions 3NO	11,000	53,000	62,000	

^aNot more than 1,000 tons may be taken in aggregate from Subdivision 3Ps by countries not mentioned by name, or more than 5,000 tons in aggregate from Division 3L.

^bAny part of these allocations not taken may be added to the allocation for Divisions 3NO.

"B. That the Regulation for Management of International Quota Regulations, effective 11 January 1975, shall apply to the above allocation subject to the following:

- i) sub-paragraph 2(b) shall apply to Governments fishing under the special allocation for "Others" in Subarea 2 and Division 3K, and in Divisions 3NO; each such Government shall promptly notify the Executive Secretary if persons under its jurisdiction engage in a fishery for capelin;
- ii) sub-paragraph 2(c) shall apply to Governments fishing under the "Others" allocation in Divisions 3LN or Subdivision 3Ps.

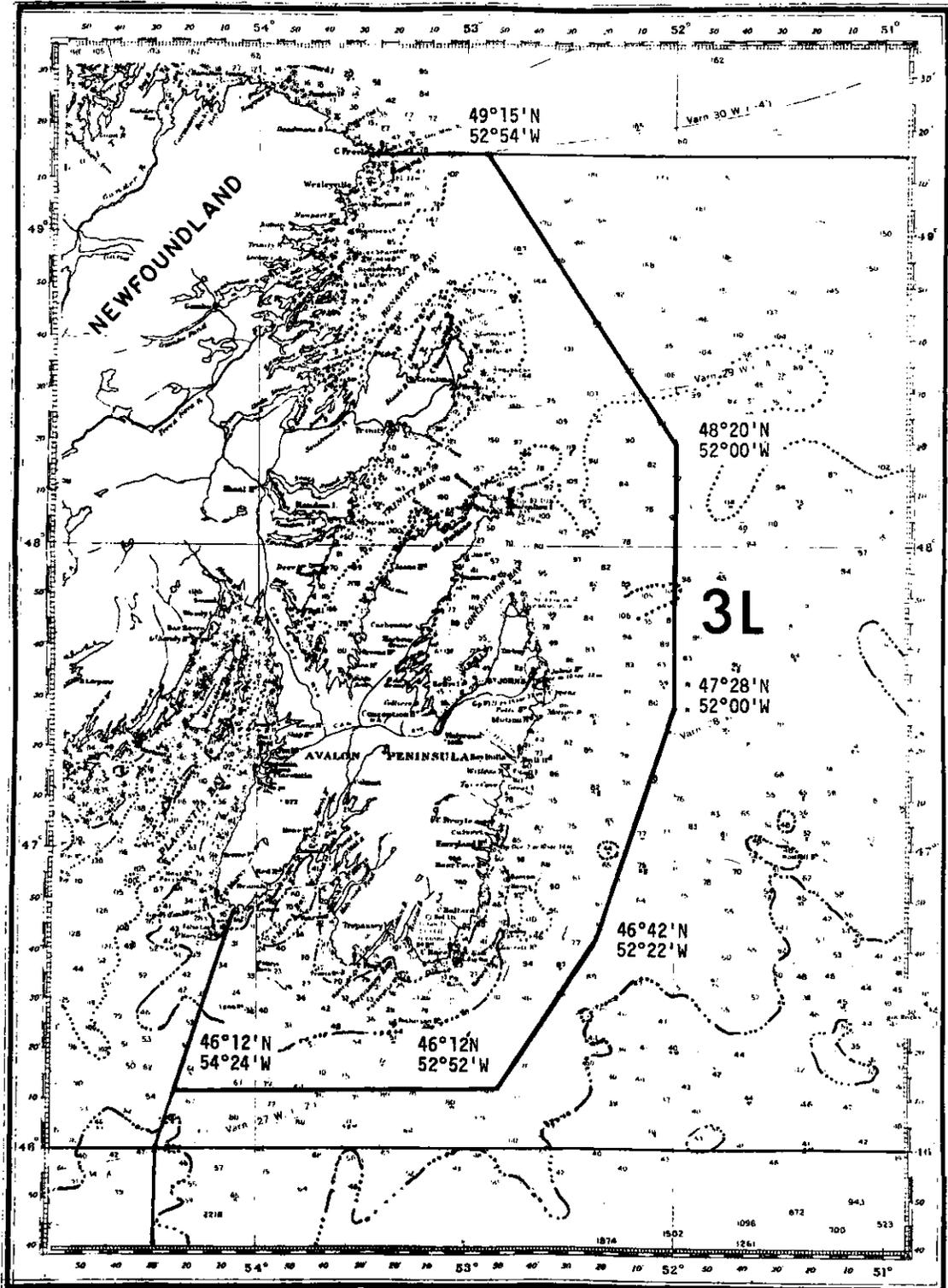
"C. That the capelin fisheries in Division 3L of Subarea 3 of the Convention Area be restricted to an area offshore from the straight lines joining the following coordinates:

46°12'N , 54°24'W
 46°12'N , 52°52'W
 46°42'N , 52°22'W
 47°28'N , 52°00'W
 48°20'N , 52°00'W
 49°15'N , 52°54'W."

NOTE: The attached chart illustrates the area affected by this proposal.

Date of entry into force:

Chart illustrating the area affected by Proposal (1) for International Regulation of the Fishery for Capelin in Subareas 2 and 3 of the Convention Area



HADDOCK - DIV. 4VW

Proposal (18) from the June 1973 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for haddock in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4 of the Convention Area:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the catching of haddock, *Melanogrammus aeglefinus* (L.), by persons under their jurisdiction fishing in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4, except as provided in paragraph 2.

"2. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have in possession on board a vessel fishing for other species, haddock caught in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4 in amounts not exceeding 5,000 lb or 2,268 kg, or 10% by weight, of all other fish on board caught in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4, whichever is greater.

"3. That the application to haddock of the trawl regulations effective in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4 be suspended during the period these prohibitions on the catching of haddock are in effect."

Date of entry into force: 17 January 1974

Proposal (9) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for haddock in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4:

That paragraph 2 of the Haddock Quota Regulation in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4, adopted at the Twenty-Third Annual Meeting (Annual Report Vol. 23, 1972-73, page 79) and entered into force on 17 January 1974, be replaced by the following:

"2. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have on board a vessel fishing for other species, haddock caught in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4 in amounts not exceeding an amount to be determined at a subsequent Special Meeting and approved by unanimous vote of the Contracting Governments, which amount shall become effective for all Contracting Governments on 1 January 1975, or on the date of receipt of notification from the Depositary Government of the amount decided by the Commission if that notification comes later than 1 January 1975."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

Proposal (6) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international regulation of by-catch of haddock in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4:

That paragraph 2 of the Haddock Quota Regulation for Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4, adopted at the Twenty-Third Annual Meeting (Ann. Rept. Vol. 23, 1972-73, page 79) and amended at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 16, Appendix V, page 220); and paragraph 3, adopted at the Twenty-Third Annual Meeting (Ann. Rept. Vol. 23, 1972-73, page 79), be replaced by the following:

"2. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have in possession on board a vessel fishing for other species, haddock caught in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4 in amounts not exceeding 5,000 lb or 2,268 kg, or 10 percent by weight, of all other fish on board caught in Divisions 4V and 4W of Subarea 4, whichever is greater.

"3. For all Contracting Governments the provisions of paragraph 2 of the Trawl Regulations for Subarea 4 regarding the incidental catch of haddock shall be suspended in Division 4V and Division 4W of Subarea 4 during the period that this proposal is in effect."

Date of entry into force:

HADDOCK - DIV. 4X

Proposal (7) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for haddock in Division 4X of Subarea 4:

That the Haddock Quota Regulation in Division 4X of Subarea 4, adopted at the Twenty-Third Annual Meeting (Annual Report Vol. 23, 1972-73, page 78) and entered into force on 19 March 1974, be replaced in part by the following (Proposal (13) adopted on 14 June 1974 also replaces in part the Haddock Quota Regulation in Division 4X of Subarea 4):

"That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit persons under their jurisdiction from using fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear (purse seines or true midwater trawls, using midwater trawl doors incapable of being fished on the bottom) and from attaching any protective device to pelagic fishing gear or employing any means which would in effect make it possible to fish for demersal species during March, April and May in that part of Division 4X of Subarea 4 bounded by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

42°04'N, 65°44'W
42°37'N, 64°30'W
43°00'N, 64°30'W
43°00'N, 67°00'W
42°42'N, 66°32'W
42°20'N, 66°32'W
42°20'N, 66°00'W."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

Proposal (5) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international regulation of the fishery for haddock by closed area in Division 4X of Subarea 4:

That Proposal (7) for International Quota Regulation of the Fishery for Haddock in Division 4X of Subarea 4, adopted at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 16, Appendix III, page 218) and entered into force on 11 January 1975, be replaced by the following:

"That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action in 1975 to prohibit persons under their jurisdiction from using fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear (purse seines or true midwater trawls, using midwater trawl doors incapable of being fished on the bottom) and from attaching any protective device to pelagic fishing gear or employing any means which would in effect make it possible to fish for demersal species during February, March, April and May inclusive, in that part of Division 4X of Subarea 4 bounded by the straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

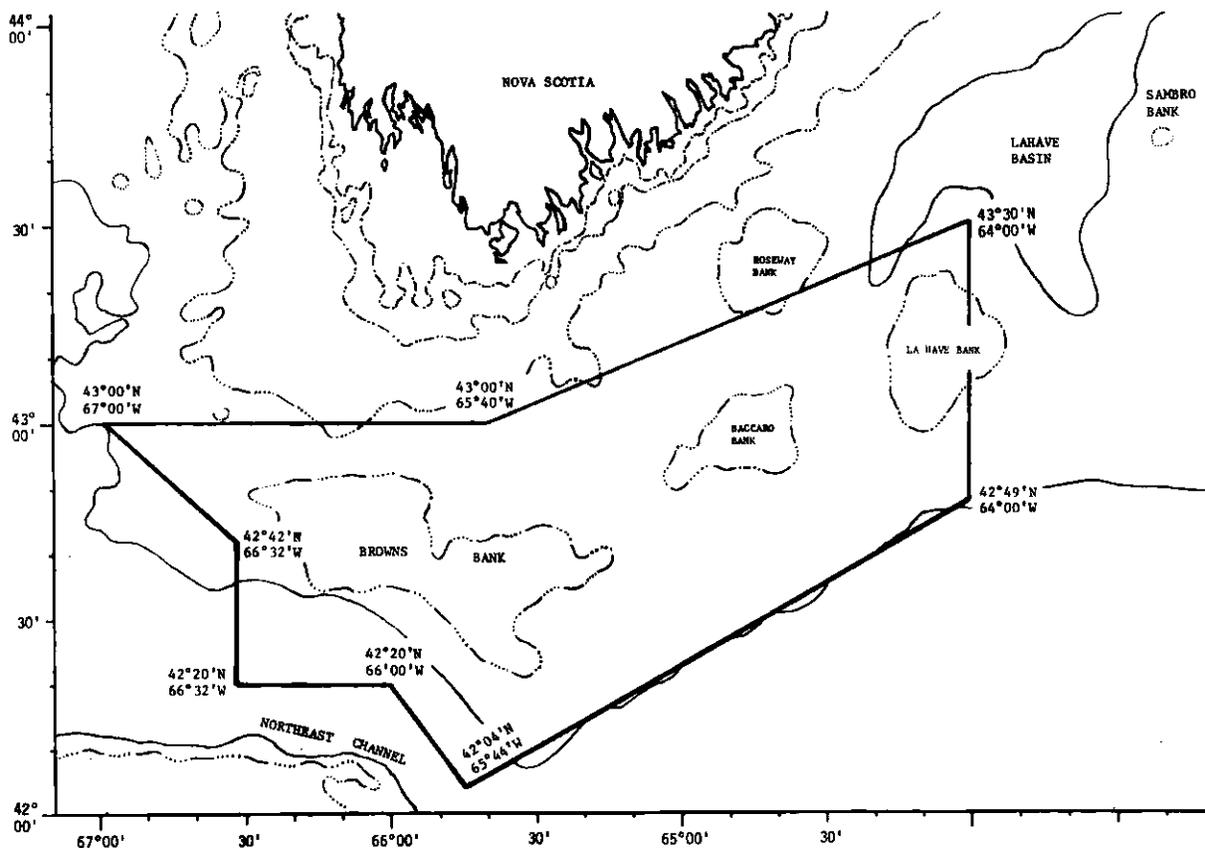
43°00'N, 67°00'W
42°42'N, 66°32'W
42°20'N, 66°32'W
42°20'N, 66°00'W
42°04'N, 65°44'W
42°49'N, 64°00'W
43°30'N, 64°00'W
43°00'N, 65°40'W."

NOTE: The attached chart illustrates the areas affected by this proposal.

Date of entry into force¹:

¹ Resolution (2) from the January 1975 Special Commission Meeting requests voluntary implementation of above proposal on 1 February 1975.

Chart illustrating the area affected by Proposal (5) for International Regulation of the Fishery for Haddock in Division 4X of Subarea 4 of the Convention Area, adopted by the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries on 31 December 1974 by a vote taken in accordance with Commission Rule of Procedure 2.4



Proposal (7) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international regulation of the by-catch of haddock in Division 4X of Subarea 4:

"1. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, Contracting Governments not mentioned by name in the part of Proposal (13) for International Quota Regulation dealing with 1975 national allocations for haddock in Division 4X of Subarea 4 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 20, Appendix IV, page 243), may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have in possession on board a vessel fishing for other species (either at sea or at the time of off-loading), haddock caught in Division 4X of Subarea 4 in amounts not exceeding 5,000 lb or 2,268 kg, or 10 percent by weight, of all other fish on board caught in Division 4X of Subarea 4, whichever is greater.

"2. For Contracting Governments not mentioned by name in the part of Proposal (13) for International Quota Regulation dealing with 1975 national allocations for haddock in Division 4X of Subarea 4, the provisions of paragraph 2 of the Trawl Regulations for Subarea 4 regarding the incidental catch of haddock shall be suspended in Division 4X of Subarea 4 during the period that this proposal is in effect."

Date of entry into force:

HADDOCK - SUBAREA 5

Proposal (25) from the June 1973 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for haddock in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area:

- "1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the catch of haddock in Subarea 5, except as provided in paragraph 2.
- "2. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have on board a vessel fishing for other species, haddock caught in Subarea 5 in amounts not exceeding 5,000 lb or 2,268 kg, or 10% by weight, of all other fish on board caught in Subarea 5, whichever is greater.
- "3. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit persons under their jurisdiction from using fishing gear in a manner capable of catching demersal species during March, April and May 1974 in areas of Subarea 5 bounded by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

(a) 69°55'W, 42°10'N	(b) 67°00'W, 42°20'N
69°10'W, 41°10'N	67°00'W, 41°15'N
68°30'W, 41°35'N	65°40'W, 41°15'N
68°45'W, 41°50'N	65°40'W, 42°00'N
69°00'W, 41°50'N	66°00'W, 42°20'N

The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to vessels that fish in area (a) with hooks having a gape of not less than 3 cm.

- "4. That the application to haddock of the trawl regulations effective in Subarea 5 be suspended during the period these prohibitions on the catching of haddock are in effect."

Date of entry into force: 17 January 1974

Proposal (8) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for haddock in Subarea 5:

That paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Haddock Quota Regulation for Subarea 5, adopted at the Twenty-Third Annual Meeting (Annual Report Vol. 23, 1972-73, page 86) and entered into force on 17 January 1974, be replaced by the following:

- "2. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have on board a vessel fishing for other species, haddock caught in Subarea 5 in amounts not exceeding an amount to be determined at a subsequent Special Meeting and approved by unanimous vote of the Contracting Governments, which amount shall become effective for all Contracting Governments on 1 January 1975, or on the date of receipt of notification from the Depositary Government of the amount decided by the Commission if that notification comes later than 1 January 1975.

- "3. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit persons under their jurisdiction from using fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear (purse seines or true mid-water trawls, using midwater trawl doors incapable of being fished on the bottom) and from attaching any protective device to pelagic fishing gear or employing any means which would in effect make it possible to fish for demersal species during March, April and May in areas of Subarea 5 bounded by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

(a) 69°55'W, 42°10'N	(b) 67°00'W, 42°20'N
69°10'W, 41°10'N	67°00'W, 41°15'N
68°30'W, 41°35'N	65°40'W, 41°15'N
68°45'W, 41°50'N	65°40'W, 42°00'N
69°00'W, 41°50'N	66°00'W, 42°20'N

The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to vessels that fish in area (a) with hooks having a gape of not less than 3 cm."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

Proposal (8) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international regulation of the fishery for haddock in Subarea 5:

That the Haddock Quota Regulations for Subarea 5, adopted at the Twenty-Third Annual Meeting, June 1973 (Ann. Rept. Vol. 23, 1972-73, page 86) and amended at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 16, Appendix IV, page 219), be replaced by the following:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to regulate the catch of haddock, by persons under their jurisdiction fishing in Subarea 5 so that the aggregate catch of haddock by vessels taking such haddock shall not exceed 6,000 metric tons in 1975.

"2. That Competent Authorities from each Contracting Government listed below shall limit in 1975 the catch of haddock taken by persons under their jurisdiction to the amount listed from Subarea 5¹:

Canada	1,200 metric tons ²
Spain	300 " tons ²
USA	4,450 " tons ²
Others	50 " tons

Provided, however, that Spain and the USA may report an adjustment in the amounts listed for them, without effect to the overall total, to the Executive Secretary no later than 31 December 1974. The Executive Secretary shall report such adjustment to the Contracting Governments.

"3. That in order to avoid impairment of fisheries conducted for other species and which take small quantities of haddock incidentally, Contracting Governments not mentioned by name in paragraph 2 above, may permit persons under their jurisdiction to have in possession on board a vessel fishing for other species (either at sea or at the time of off-loading) haddock caught in Subarea 5 in amounts not exceeding 5,510 lb² or 2,500 kg², or 1 percent by weight², of all other fish on board caught in Subarea 5, whichever is greater.

"4. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit persons under their jurisdiction from using fishing gear other than pelagic fishing gear (purse seines or true midwater trawls, using midwater trawl doors incapable of being fished on the bottom) and from attaching any protective device to pelagic fishing gear or employing any means which would in effect make it possible to fish for demersal species during March, April and May in areas of Subarea 5 bounded by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

(a) 42°10'N, 69°55'W	(b) 42°20'N, 67°00'W
41°10'N, 69°10'W	41°15'N, 67°00'W
41°35'N, 68°30'W	41°15'N, 65°40'W
41°50'N, 68°45'W	42°00'N, 65°40'W
41°50'N, 69°00'W	42°20'N, 66°00'W.

The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to vessels that fish in area (a) with hooks having a gape of not less than 3 cm.

"5. For Contracting Governments not mentioned by name in paragraph 2 that the provisions of paragraph 2 of the Trawl Regulations for Subarea 5 regarding the incidental catch of haddock shall be suspended during the period the above regulations on the catching of haddock are in effect for Subarea 5."

¹ It is understood that no Contracting Governments will permit a directed fishery for haddock.

² Pursuant to Proposal (8) from the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 16, Appendix IV, page 219), these are incidental catch limitations.

Date of entry into force:

HERRING - DIV. 5Y

See Resolution (2) referred to under Div. 5Z and Statistical Area 6 and Div. 5Y on page 25.

Proposal (4) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for herring in Division 5Y of Subarea 5:

"That the line item relating to herring in Division 5Y of Subarea 5 in the table which forms an integral part of Proposal (13) for International Quota Regulation of the Fisheries in the Convention Area, adopted

at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 20, Appendix IV, page 245) and entered into force on 11 January 1975, be amended as follows:

Species or stock	Stock region	Canada	FRG	GDR	USA	Others	Total
Herring	5Y	4,200	500	500	10,750	50	16,000

All amounts are in metric tons.

"The delegations of the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG) and the German Democratic Republic (GDR) stated that their countries would not take their quotas, in view of the state of the stock and that, in their opinion, it would be appropriate to receive compensation, in the light of this renunciation, in Division 5Z of Subarea 5 and in Statistical Area 6."

Date of entry into force:

HERRING - DIV. 5Z AND STATISTICAL AREA 6 AND DIV. 5Y

Resolution (2) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting relating to total allowable catches for herring stocks in Division 5Z of Subarea 5 and Statistical Area 6 and in Division 5Y of Subarea 5 in 1976:

The Commission

Having Been Informed of the recommendation of Panel 5 from the June 1974 Annual Meeting aimed at achieving the conservation and optimum utilization of stocks of herring in Subarea 5 and adjacent waters to the west and south within Statistical Area 6 for 1975;

Resolves that it will establish a level of catch for the herring stocks in Division 5Z of Subarea 5 and Statistical Area 6 and in Division 5Y of Subarea 5 for 1976 which will maintain the adult stocks at 225,000 tons and 60,000 tons at least, respectively, it being understood that the level of catch for 1976 will not be increased above that for 1975 unless the adult stock sizes at the end of 1975 have reached a level which will provide the maximum sustainable yields by the end of 1976; and

Further Resolves that STACRES consider the need for possible adjustments to these adult stock size objectives prior to the 1975 Annual Meeting.

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

YELLOWTAIL - SUBAREA 5 EAST OF 69° WEST

Proposal (3) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for yellowtail flounder in the area east of 69° west in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area:

"That the line item relating to yellowtail flounder in Subarea 5 east of 69° west in the table which forms an integral part of Proposal (13) for International Quota Regulation of the Fisheries in the Convention Area and in Adjacent Waters to the West and South within Statistical Area 6, adopted at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 20, Appendix IV, page 243) and entered into force on 11 January 1975, be amended as follows:

Species or stock	Stock region	USA	Others	Total
Yellowtail	5(E of 69°W)	15,900	100	16,000

All amounts are in metric tons."

Date of entry into force:

YELLOWTAIL - SUBAREA 5 WEST OF 69° WEST AND STATISTICAL AREA 6

Proposal (12) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for yellowtail flounder in the area west of 69° west in Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in Statistical Area 6:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to regulate the catch of yellowtail by persons under their jurisdiction fishing in the area west of 69° west in Subarea 5 and in adjacent waters to the west and south in Statistical Area 6 so that the aggregate catch of yellowtail by vessels from this stock shall not exceed in 1975 an amount which is decided at a subsequent Special Meeting and approved by unanimous vote of the Contracting Governments, which amount shall become effective for all Contracting Governments on 1 January 1975, or on the date of receipt of notification from the Depositary Government of the amount decided by the Commission, if that notification comes later than 1 January 1975;

"2. That Competent Authorities from each Contracting Government shall limit in 1975 the catch of yellowtail taken by persons under its jurisdiction from the above-mentioned stock to the amount which is decided for each Contracting Government at the above-mentioned Special Meeting and approved by unanimous vote of the Contracting Governments, which amount shall become effective for all Contracting Governments on 1 January 1975, or on the date of receipt of notification from the Depositary Government of the amounts decided by the Commission if that notification comes later than 1 January 1975."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

Proposal (2) from the November 1974 Special Commission Meeting for international quota regulation of the fishery for yellowtail flounder in the area west of 69° west of Subarea 5 of the Convention Area and in Statistical Area 6:

That Proposal (12) for International Quota Regulation of the Fishery for Yellowtail Flounder in Subarea 5 West of 69° West and Statistical Area 6, adopted at the Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting, June 1974 (June 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 16, Appendix VI, page 221) and entered into force on 11 January 1975, be replaced by the following:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to regulate the catch of yellowtail flounder, *Limanda ferruginea* (Storer), by persons under their jurisdiction fishing in the area west of 69° west in Subarea 5 and in the adjacent waters to the west and south so that the aggregate catch of yellowtail flounder by vessels taking such yellowtail flounder shall not exceed 4,000 metric tons in 1975.

"2. That Competent Authorities from each Contracting Government listed below shall limit in 1975 the catch of yellowtail flounder taken by persons under their jurisdiction to the amount listed from the above-mentioned stock:

USA	3,990 metric tons
Others	10 " tons."

Date of entry into force:

SALMON

Proposal (1) from the 1969 Annual Meeting for international regulation respecting the fishery for Atlantic salmon on the high seas in the Convention Area:

"That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to ensure that the fishing for Atlantic salmon, *Salmo salar* L., in the waters outside national fishing limits be prohibited in the Convention Area."

Date of entry into force: 3 April 1970
(except Denmark, Norway and
Federal Republic of Germany)

Proposal (1) from the June 1972 Annual Meeting for international regulation respecting the fishery for Atlantic salmon on the high seas in the Convention Area:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to regulate the catch of Atlantic salmon, *Salmo salar*, by persons under their jurisdiction fishing in the Convention Area off Greenland so that the catch in round weight taken shall not exceed the amount listed:

	1972	1973	1974	1975
	(in metric tons)			
Denmark (Mainland and Faroe Islands)	800	600	550	500
Norway	300	225	210	195
Other Contracting Governments	10	10	5	5

it being expected that non-members of the Commission will catch not more than 10 metric tons in 1972 and 1973 and not more than 5 metric tons in 1974 and 1975. In establishing these quotas the Commission has taken into account the statement made by the Danish Commissioner to the effect that catches by mainland and Faroe Islands based vessels taken within the 3-mile limit off West Greenland will be included in the said quotas, and that the said vessels would stop salmon fishing inside national fishing limits at Greenland as of 1 January 1976.

"2. That catches differing from the amounts pursuant to paragraph 1 above in any year would be followed by an adjustment in the following year's catch.

"3. That notwithstanding the provision of paragraph 1, fishing for Atlantic salmon by local Greenland fishermen in the Convention Area off Greenland may be maintained so as to be at the approximate level of annual catches measured from 1964 through 1971 in round weight, which is estimated to be 1,100 metric tons. The Commission has taken into account the statement made by the Danish Commissioner to the effect that catches taken by local Greenland fishermen within the 3-mile limit off West Greenland will be included in the said amount.

"4. At the request of any Contracting Government, a review of the status of the salmon stocks may take place within five years. Such review would take into account the need for conservation of the species as well as the special importance to local fishermen of the salmon fisheries and might lead to recommendations for adjustment of the catch level referred to in the preceding paragraph.

"5. That Contracting Governments having coast lines adjacent to the Convention Area, take appropriate action to ensure the application of conservation measures within the 12-mile zones which would correspond in effect to the measures taken by Denmark (i.e., using the catch levels of 1969 as a base).

"6. That all Contracting Governments which are not bound by proposal number 1 adopted by the Commission on 6 June 1969, concerning the prohibition of salmon fishing in the Convention Area outside national fishing limits, consider accepting that proposal not later than 1 January 1976. The Commission has taken into account statements made by the Danish and Norwegian Commissioners to the effect that Denmark and Norway would adhere to that proposal not later than 1 January 1976.

"7. That the allocations in paragraphs 1 and 3 above are without prejudice to future allocations of catches for these or other stocks.

"8. That on the effective date of this proposal, the proposal number 1 adopted by the Commission on 4 June 1971 shall cease to be effective."

Date of entry into force: 23 December 1972

SEALS - "GULF" AND "FRONT"

Proposal (3) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for international regulation respecting the protection of seals in the "Gulf" and "Front" areas:

- "1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to ensure that, for the year 1975 only, the total allowable catch in the "Front"¹ and "Gulf"² Areas be 150,100 harp seals, *Pogophilus groenlandica*, including a quota of 60,000 for Canada, 60,000 for Norway, and 100 unallocated, and an estimate of 30,000 harp seals to be caught by indigenous non-mobile fisheries of the "Front" and "Gulf" Areas.
- "2. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to ensure that, for the year 1975 only, the total allowable catch in the "Front" Area be 15,000 hood seals, *Cystophora cristata*. (The quota does not apply to West Greenland, but includes an allowance of 100 hood seals for possible other participants in the fishery.)
- "3. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to ensure that the open season in the "Front" Area for the taking of harp seals shall commence not earlier than 0900 hours GMT on 12 March 1975 and terminate not later than 2400 hours GMT on 24 April 1975, and for the taking of hood seals shall commence not earlier than 0900 hours GMT on 20 March 1975 and terminate not later than 2400 hours GMT on 24 April 1975.
- "4. That Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the killing of adult (harp) seals in whelping patches in the "Gulf" and "Front" Areas.
- "5. That Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the killing of harp and hood seals by vessels in the "Front" Area during the open season each day between the hours 2400 GMT and 0900 GMT.
- "6. That Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the killing of the newly rediscovered herds of whelping hood seals in the Davis Strait from vessels of over 50 gross tons.
- "7. That the Proposal for Management of the International Quota Regulations, adopted by the Commission in Plenary Session on 14 June 1974, shall not apply."

¹ All the waters of the Strait of Belle Isle and the Atlantic Ocean east of a straight line between the lighthouse at Amour Point on the east coast of Labrador and the lighthouse on Flowers Island in Flowers Cove, Newfoundland.

² All the waters and territories west of a straight line between the lighthouse at Amour Point on the coast of Labrador and the lighthouse on Flowers Island in Flowers Cove, Newfoundland.

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

5. SIZE LIMIT REGULATIONS

SEA SCALLOPS - DIV. 5Z

Proposal (23) from the June 1972 Annual Meeting for international regulation respecting the fishery for sea scallops in Division 5Z of Subarea 5:

"That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the retention and landing of sea scallops, *Placopecten magellanicus* (Gmelin), by persons under their jurisdiction,

- (a) of a shell size less than 95 mm, measured from the hinge to the opposite margin; and
- (b) the meats of which, are of an average weight of less than 11.3 grams, providing an average count of forty (40) units per pound or more."

Date of entry into force: 29 March 1973
(except Canada and USA)

HERRING - SUBAREAS 4 AND 5

Proposal (4) from the January 1972 Special Commission Meeting for international size limit regulation of the fishery for herring in Subareas 4 and 5:

"1. That the Contracting Governments take appropriate action to prohibit the taking or possession of herring, *Clupea harengus* L., less than 9 inches (22.7 cm), measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail fin, by persons under their jurisdiction, except as provided in paragraph 2 below, in those portions of Division 4W south of 44°52'N latitude and Division 4X south of 43°50'N latitude of Subarea 4 and in Subarea 5.

"2. That the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to take herring with a vessel in any year less than 9 inches (22.7 cm) measured as specified in paragraph 1 above in an amount not exceeding 10 percent by weight of all herring caught in the areas specified in paragraph 1 above by that vessel during that year."

Date of entry into force: 17 September 1972

Proposal (1) from the January 1974 Special Commission Meeting for amendment to the international size limit regulation of the fishery for herring in Subareas 4 and 5 of the Convention Area:

That paragraph 2 of the International Size Limit Regulation of the Fishery for Herring in Subareas 4 and 5, adopted at the Special Commission Meeting, January-February 1972 (January 1972 Special Meeting Proceedings No. 4, Appendix IV) and entered into force on 17 September 1972, be replaced by the following:

"2. That the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to take, with a vessel in any year, herring less than 9 inches (22.7 cm) measured as specified in paragraph 1 above in an amount not exceeding 10 percent by weight or 25 percent by count of all herring caught in the areas specified in paragraph 1 above by that vessel during that year."

Date of entry into force: 4 September 1974

Proposal (10) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for amendment to the international size limit regulation of the fishery for herring in Subareas 4 and 5 of the Convention Area:

That paragraph 2 of the International Size Limit Regulation of the Fishery for Herring in Subareas 4 and 5, adopted at the Special Commission Meeting, January 1974 (January 1974 Meeting Proceedings No. 3, Appendix II) and entered into force on 4 September 1974, be replaced by the following:

"2. That the Contracting Governments may permit persons under their jurisdiction to take herring less than 9 inches (22.7 cm) measured as specified in paragraph 1 above so long as such persons do not have in possession on board a vessel each trip herring under this size limit in an amount exceeding 10% by weight or 25% by count of all herring on board the vessel caught in areas specified in paragraph 1 above which can be identified as to size at the time of landing. However, should it be observed during an inspection under the Joint Enforcement Scheme that a vessel is taking an excessive amount of undersize herring, the inspector shall note this fact on the inspection report and bring it to the attention of the master of the vessel concerned. Such an observation in itself shall not be considered to be an infringement. For the purpose of this regulation, a trip shall be considered to be not more than 90 days on ground as determined by an examination of the logbook."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

6. SCHEME OF JOINT ENFORCEMENT

Proposal (1) from the June 1974 Annual Meeting for a revised Scheme of Joint International Enforcement of the fishery regulations in the Convention Area and in Statistical Area 6:

"1. Control shall be carried out by inspectors of the fishery control services of Contracting Governments. The names of the inspectors appointed for that purpose by the appropriate authority of the respective Governments shall be notified to the Commission. Appropriate authorities of Contracting Governments shall also notify the Commission of the names of the flag state authorities designated to receive immediate notice of infringements and the means by which they may receive and respond to radio communications.

"2. Vessels carrying inspectors shall fly a special flag or pennant approved by the Commission to indicate that the inspector is carrying out international inspection duties. The names of the vessels so used for the time being, which may be either special inspection vessels or fishing vessels, shall be notified to the Commission.

"3. Each inspector shall carry a document of identity supplied by the appropriate authorities of the flag state in a form approved by the Commission and given him on appointment stating that he has the authority to act under the Scheme approved by the Commission. The document shall be produced by the inspector upon boarding a vessel under this Scheme.

"4. (i) The master of a vessel employed for the time being in fishing for sea fish or in the treatment of sea fish in the Convention Area or in Statistical Area 6 shall facilitate boarding when given the appropriate signal in the International Code of Signals by a vessel carrying an inspector. The vessel to be boarded shall not be required to stop or manoeuvre when fishing, shooting, or hauling; but the master shall nonetheless provide a boarding ladder and otherwise observe the ordinary practices of good seamanship to enable an inspection party coming alongside to board as soon as practicable.

(ii) Fishery support vessels in transit and not for the time being connected with fishing or transferring unprocessed fish are not subject to boarding under this Scheme.

(iii) An inspection party will consist of one inspector in charge of making the inspection who may be accompanied by additional inspectors appointed under this Scheme and not more than two witnesses. The word "inspector" hereafter refers only to the inspector in charge unless it is clear that all inspectors appointed under this Scheme and included in the inspection party are referred to.

(iv) The master shall enable the inspector to examine and photograph catch, nets, or other gear and any relevant documents as the inspector deems necessary to verify the observance of the Commission's regulations in force in relation to the flag state of the vessel concerned.

"5. (i) Inspections shall be made so that the vessel suffers the minimum interference and inconvenience. The inspector shall limit his inquiries to the ascertainment of the facts in relation to the observance of the Commission's regulations in force in relation to the flag state of the vessel concerned. In making his examination, the inspector may ask the master for any assistance he may require. He shall draw up a report of the inspection on a form approved by the Commission. The inspector shall sign the report in the presence of the master who shall be entitled to add or have added to the report any observations which he may think suitable. The master must sign such observations, and he must sign the report without prejudice to future proceedings. Copies of the report shall be given to the master of the vessel and transmitted, within 30 days whenever possible, to an appropriate authority of the flag state of the vessel and to the Commission.

(ii) Inspectors shall have authority to inspect all fishing gear on or near the working deck and readily available for use, and the catch on and below decks. Fishing gear shall be inspected in accordance with the regulations in force for the Subarea in which the inspection takes place. The number of undersized meshes and the width of each mesh in the nets examined shall be entered in the inspector's report together with the average width of the meshes examined.

(iii) The inspector shall have authority, subject to any limitations by the Commission, to carry out such examination and measurement of the catch as he deems necessary to establish whether the Commission's regulations are being complied with. He shall report his findings to the authorities of the flag state of the inspected vessel as soon as possible.

(iv) Where an apparent infringement of the regulations is observed, the inspector shall examine the bridge log, fishing log, or other pertinent documents which contain information relevant to the apparent infringement. The inspector shall enter a notation in the fishing logbook or other relevant document stating the date, location, and type of apparent infringement observed. The inspector may make a true copy of any relevant entry in such a document, and shall require the master of the vessel to certify in writing on each page of the copy that it is a true copy of such entry. The inspector shall have full opportunity to document evidence of the apparent infringement with photographs of the relevant fishing vessel, gear, catch, and logs or other documents, in which case copies of the photographs shall be attached to the copy of the report to the flag state.

- (v) Where an apparent infringement of the regulations is observed, the inspector may, with a view to facilitating flag state action on the apparent infringement, immediately attempt to communicate with any inspector of the inspected vessel's flag state known to be in the vicinity or a designated authority of the inspected vessel's flag state, which shall be notified to the Commission. The master of the inspected vessel shall arrange for messages to be sent and received by using his radio equipment and operator for this purpose. If the inspector is unable to communicate with an inspector or designated authority of the flag state within a reasonable period of time, he shall complete the inspection, leave the inspected vessel, and communicate as soon as possible with an inspector or designated authority of the flag state. However, if he succeeds in establishing communications while on board the inspected vessel and providing the flag state inspector or designated authority of the flag state agrees, the inspector may remain aboard the inspected vessel to facilitate preservation of the evidence of the apparent infringement until boarding of the vessel by a competent authority of the flag state. While the inspector remains on board, the inspected vessel may continue to fish.
- (vi) The inspector may request that the master remove any part of the fishing gear which appears to the inspector to have been used in contravention of the Commission's regulations in force in relation to the flag state of the vessel concerned. An identification mark approved by the Commission shall be affixed to any part of the fishing gear which appears to the inspector to have been so used, whether removed or not, and the inspector shall record these facts on his report. The mark shall be so affixed as to ensure that this part of the gear will be preserved with the mark attached, and it shall be so preserved until it has been viewed by an inspector or designated authority of the inspected vessel's flag state who shall determine the subsequent disposition of the gear.
- (vii) The inspector may photograph the fishing gear in such a way that the identification mark and measurements of the fishing gear are visible, in which case the subjects photographed should be listed in the report and copies of the photographs should be attached to the copy of the report to the flag state.

"6. Appropriate authorities of a Contracting Government notified of an apparent infringement committed by a vessel of their flag shall take prompt action to receive and consider the evidence of the alleged infringement, conduct any further investigation necessary for disposition of the alleged infringement, and whenever possible, board the vessel involved. Appropriate authorities of the flag state shall cooperate fully with appropriate authorities of the inspector's state to ensure that the evidence of the alleged infringement is prepared and preserved in a form which will facilitate judicial action on it.

"7. An inspector observing a failure of a vessel to enable an inspection party to board after being properly signalled shall:

- (i) Report the apparent infringement as soon as possible to any inspector of the flag state known to be in the vicinity or a designated authority of the flag state.
- (ii) Prepare a report giving as much information as possible, including the distance from which the signal was given and the visibility at the time.

"8. Resistance to an inspector or failure to comply with his directions shall be treated by the flag state of the vessel as if the inspector were an inspector of that state.

"9. Inspectors shall carry out their duties in accordance with the rules set out in this Scheme, but they shall remain under the operational control of their national authorities and shall be responsible to them.

"10. Appropriate authorities of Contracting Governments shall consider and act on reports of foreign inspectors under this Scheme on the same basis as reports of national inspectors. The provisions of this paragraph shall not impose any obligation on the appropriate authorities of a Contracting Government to give the report of a foreign inspector a higher evidential value than it would possess in the inspector's own country. Appropriate authorities of Contracting Governments shall collaborate in order to facilitate judicial or other proceedings arising from a report of an inspector under this Scheme.

"11. (i) Appropriate authorities of the Contracting Governments shall inform the Commission by 1 March each year of the provisional plans for participation in these arrangements in that and the following year and the Commission may make suggestions to the appropriate authorities of the Contracting Governments for the coordination of national operations in this field including the number of inspectors and the number of ships carrying inspectors.

- (if) The arrangements set out in this regulation and the plans for participation shall apply between Contracting Governments unless otherwise agreed between them; and such agreement shall be notified to the Commission:

Provided, however, that implementation of the Scheme shall be suspended between any two Contracting Governments for no more than one year, if either of them has notified the Commission to that effect, pending completion of an agreement.

"12. Appropriate authorities of each Contracting Government shall report to the Commission by 1 March each year for the previous year:

- (i) Compilation of the inspections of the vessels of their own flag by any authorized ICNAF inspectors. This report shall refer specifically to each inspection by vessel name, date, position, and the nature of any alleged infringement.
- (ii) The status of disposition of each alleged infringement by a vessel of their flag. Each alleged infringement shall be listed annually until the action taken is final under the laws of the flag state. Any punishment imposed shall be described in specific terms, including the amount of any monetary penalty actually paid and the length of any imprisonment actually served."

Date of entry into force: 11 January 1975

7. AUTHORIZED TOPSIDE CHAFERS

At the 1966, 1967 and 1970 Annual Meetings of the Commission four topside chafers were authorized for use in the Convention Area, the ICNAF-type chaffer, the modified ICNAF-type chaffer, the multiple flap-type chaffer, and the large mesh (modified Polish-type) chaffer. The chafers are described briefly in ICNAF Notification Series No. 1 dated 12 March 1967, No. 4 dated 28 July 1967, and No. 8 dated 19 October 1970.

(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.16,p.19)
(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.17,p.19)
(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.20,p.24)

8. AUTHORIZED MESH MEASURING GAUGE

At the 1967 Annual Meeting of the Commission the ICNAF mesh-measuring gauge as specified in the ICNAF trawl regulations was authorized as the only mesh-measuring gauge for use in the Convention Area.

(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.17,p.20)

9. AUTHORIZED MESH SIZE DIFFERENTIALS FOR DIFFERENT MESH MATERIALS

At the 1967, 1972 and 1973 Annual Meetings of the Commission the following mesh size differentials for different trawl mesh materials were approved for use in the Convention Area.

Part of Convention Area	Type of net	ICNAF gauge
Subareas 1-3	Seine net	110 mm (4-3/8 in.)
	Such part of any trawl net as is made of hemp, polyamide fibres, or polyester fibres	120 mm (4-3/4 in.)
	Such part of any trawl net as is made of manila or any other material not mentioned above	130 mm (5-1/8 in.)

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Part of Convention Area	Type of net	ICNAF gauge
*Subareas 4-5	Seine net	110 mm (4-3/8 in.)
	<u>For whole net, except codend:</u>	
	Such part of any trawl net as is made of cotton, hemp, polyamide fibres, or polyester fibres	105 mm (4-1/8 in.)
	Such part of any trawl net as is made of manila or any other material not mentioned above	114 mm (4-1/2 in.)
	<u>For codend only:</u>	
	Such part of any trawl net as is made of cotton, hemp, polyamide fibres, or polyester fibres	120 mm (4-3/4 in.)
	Such part of any trawl net as is made of manila or any other material not mentioned above	130 mm (5-1/8 in.)

* Operative 1 January 1974 for Div. 4X of Subarea 4, as agreed by the Commission on 16 June 1973.

(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.17,p.20)
(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.22,p.64-65)
(ICNAF Ann.Proc.Vol.23,p.49)

