# **International Commission for**



# the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries

Serial No. 5180

ICNAF Summ.Doc. 78/VI/8

#### ANNUAL MEETING - JUNE 1978

#### North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission

#### Special Meeting of the Commission, November 1977

#### Press Notice

A Special Meeting of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission took place in London from 1st-3rd November 1977. The Chair was taken by the President, Captain J. C. E. Cardoso (Portugal). Delegations attended from the following Member States:

Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Ireland, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United Kingdom.

Observers represented:

the European Economic Community, the FAO, the ICES, the OECD, the ICNAF and the Governments of Canada, Italy, Japan and the United States of America.

## Future of NEAFC

The Meeting had before it a Consolidated Draft Convention which had been prepared in the light of discussions held earlier in the year. Agreement was reached on a number of substantive issues and it was agreed that a Drafting Group should be established to prepare a working document which would be suitable for consideration by a Diplomatic Conference. The President undertook to chair such a group and confirmed that it would meet in Lisbon on 2nd and 3rd December 1977.

## Recommendations

Recommendation (3) (A). Attachments to Nets.

The Commission agreed to extend this recommendation to 30th September 1978.

Recommendation (22). Regulation of Fishing Effort in the Southern Part of the Convention Area.

The Commission agreed to adopt a similar Recommendation for the calendar year 1978.

#### Future Meeting

It was also agreed that the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Commission would be held in London during the period 20th-22nd June 1978.

7th November 1977

Office of the Commission London

<sup>\*</sup> Executive Secretary, ICNAF, P.O. Box 638, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada B2Y 3Y9